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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Mr. Dulles' Tour

MR. Foster Dulles' tour of the Middle East is a natural corollary to the fact-finding visit he paid to West Europe a few months ago. Spectacular results need not be anticipated, but his new journey will undoubtedly have a far-reaching impact on President Eisenhower's foreign policy, both politically and economically. Foreign aid is a subject causing the Eisenhower administration considerable preoccupation. The necessity for continuing to extend assistance to economically backward areas is well recognised by President Eisenhower, yet he is equally well aware that Congress today is less prone to vote foreign aid funds unless it can be fully demonstrated that they will achieve desired results. The presence of Mr. Harold Stassen, Director of the Mutual Security Agency, in Mr. Dulles' party underlines the importance which President Eisenhower attaches to the economic aspect of the fact-finding mission, and Mr. Stassen's recommendations in this field will be no less significant than Mr. Dulles' report on the political situation and outlook.

While the Secretary of State has declared that he will make no attempt to intervene in the Anglo-Egyptian talks which have now reached a deadlock, he cannot ignore the import of those negotiations in relation to the question of creating an effective Middle East defence scheme. It is noteworthy that an announcement has been made that there will be no endeavour to resume talks on the Suez Canal Zone future until Mr. Dulles has fulfilled his visit to Egypt, and clearly the hope is implied that his conversations with General Naguib and influential Egyptian Ministers will have a softening effect on the Egyptian attitude. The future security of the Middle East is largely bound up with the preservation of the Canal Zone against aggression, and it is this fact which makes the Canal problem something more than a question of satisfying Egyptian national honour and aspirations. These, it is true, must be met, but not at the expense of the security of the Middle East as a whole. If Mr. Dulles can persuade General Naguib to appreciate just this one point, his visit will have been signally successful.

Left-Wing Swing

THE unpredictability of the British has again been manifested in the British municipal elections. Despite a national Budget which, without any shadow of doubt, was highly popular among all sections of the population, the Conservatives have sustained considerable losses in the "local" elections. The Socialists have gained control of a number of councils - city, borough and rural - but there is no obvious reason for the left-wing swing. That there has been a tendency for an upswing of local rates hardly justifies such a change about in the minds of the electors. On the other hand it has yet to be shown whether Labour's successes of last week indicate a national change of political heart. The Government has not yet forfeited any seats in by-elections and until it does so, it is not likely to be forced to make a complete revision of its policy. The real test will be forthcoming in the next few weeks when the Government's seats which are now pending.

"We Have Washed Our Hands Of Negotiations" - Naguib

SAYS EGYPT NOW READY FOR SUPREME SACRIFICE

Cairo, May 10. General Mohammed Naguib the Prime Minister said here today "We are nearing a great battle and every Egyptian should be ready for the supreme sacrifice". He declared: "We have washed our hands of Anglo-Egyptian negotiations on the Suez Canal and should be grateful to Britain for it. Freedom is not a paper gift. The British gave us paper independence in 1922 and 1936. We do not want a third freedom of this kind. The true price of freedom is warm flowing blood."

General Naguib made his speech from a high dais facing the coffin of Egypt's "Unknown Soldier" killed in Palestine in 1948 who came back to his homeland today through the Royal Gateway formerly reserved for ex-King Farouk. A twenty-one-gun salute roared out, church bells tolled and Muezzins chanted "Allah Akbar" ("God is good") from the minarets as the procession wound its way through streets filled with silent crowds. But the flag of the capital were not lowered to halfmast. General Naguib announced that "Martyrs do not die" and quoted a verse from the Koran to support the view. In other parts of this speech the Prime Minister referred to Britain as "the enemy". General Naguib, who was wounded three times in the Palestine war said Egypt entered that conflict unprepared. "But now the Egyptian nation is ready to defend her sacred rights," he reiterated.

FOR DULLES' BENEFIT

London, May 11. Last night's speech by the Egyptian Prime Minister General Naguib is regarded by observers here as being designed partly at least for the benefit of Mr. John Foster Dulles, the United States Secretary of State who arrives in Cairo today. General Naguib's speech was seen here as an attempt to enlist the sympathetic intervention of Mr. Dulles in securing a settlement. He made it clear that last week's interruption of the negotiations indicated a deadlock which was not broken by Britain's communications to Egypt a couple of days later. This had not been officially and explicitly stated before. The fact that at this juncture General Naguib has implied that Egypt may now resort to violence has been received here with considerable regret.

In the British view, a real basis for settling the Suez Canal question does exist through Egyptian willingness, already stated, to continue to employ British technical experts should British troops withdraw. But no solution is expected here in every time the negotiations run into difficulty the Egyptian side falls back upon the threat of violence. Full proof of British goodwill in relations with Egypt has been given in recent months. It is felt here by the terms of the agreement on the future of the Sudan concluded last February.

The possibility of Britain evacuating her Canal Zone Garrison in return for reasonable guarantees to maintain the installations has been widely mentioned. Though officials here have been reticent since the talks opened at the end of April it is generally believed that they were broken off last week by Egypt and not by Britain. Reuter.

SUPPORT EGYPT

Cairo, May 10. A communiqué issued by the Arab League Political Committee here tonight said: "The Arab Governments and peoples have already, on more than one occasion, announced their support of Egypt in her struggle for evacuation of the British."

"Since the unconditional evacuation of foreign troops from Egyptian territory is the natural right of Egypt and since the whole Arab world, the Political Committee asserts, knows its full support for her sister country announcing that failure to settle the Egyptian case on a basis realising Egypt's legitimate rights obstructs the maintenance of stability in the Arab East and hinders international co-operation on a basis of mutual trust and friendliness. "In addition it is a serious injury to all Arab countries. The Political Committee discussed the question of defence of the Arab states and decided that a joint defence and economic co-operation pact, concluded by the Arab League states enables a defence of the Arab states and ensures co-ordination of the military and economic co-operation among them. "Organisations formed under the pact are to be convened within two months to begin their work."

Horse Bolts During Coronation Rehearsal

London, May 10. Forty thousand persons, some of whom had waited since midnight, lined the route of the Coronation procession today to watch a ghost-like rehearsal of the June 2 pageant.

One incident marred the rehearsal. A horse pulling the second of the nine Commonwealth Prime Ministers' carriages bolted, caught his leg in the traces and mounted the kerb outside Marlborough House - home of the late Queen Mary - trying to free himself.

A Royal Artillery groomsmen who leaped from the coach attempting to free the horse was sent to hospital after his hand was struck by a threatening hoof. The following coach had to swerve sharply to avoid a collision.

With a few important exceptions, this morning's rehearsal was a preview of the real thing. The Queen and her family were resting in Scotland, the impressive array of coaches containing servicemen and low-ranking civilians and one soldier took the place of ten in the march.

CAMPED ALL NIGHT

But the crowds came anyway, braving a chilly drizzle. Most knew they would miss the big show on June 2 - and they filled in the gaps in today's parade with their imaginations. Some had camped all night at vantage spots. Mrs. Ellen Bunn, aged 78, walked four miles with a party of friends arriving at the Palace at 4.30 a.m.

One thousand soldiers in khaki, representing all the units which will take part on "C-Day" next month, marched through the blocked-off streets, enabling officials to get precise measurements and timings.

Trumpeters shattered the silence of the early Sunday with fanfares and 3,000 persons were standing five deep outside Buckingham Palace when the State Coach returned at 10 a.m. on time to the do. - United Press.

Uproar And Fist Fight

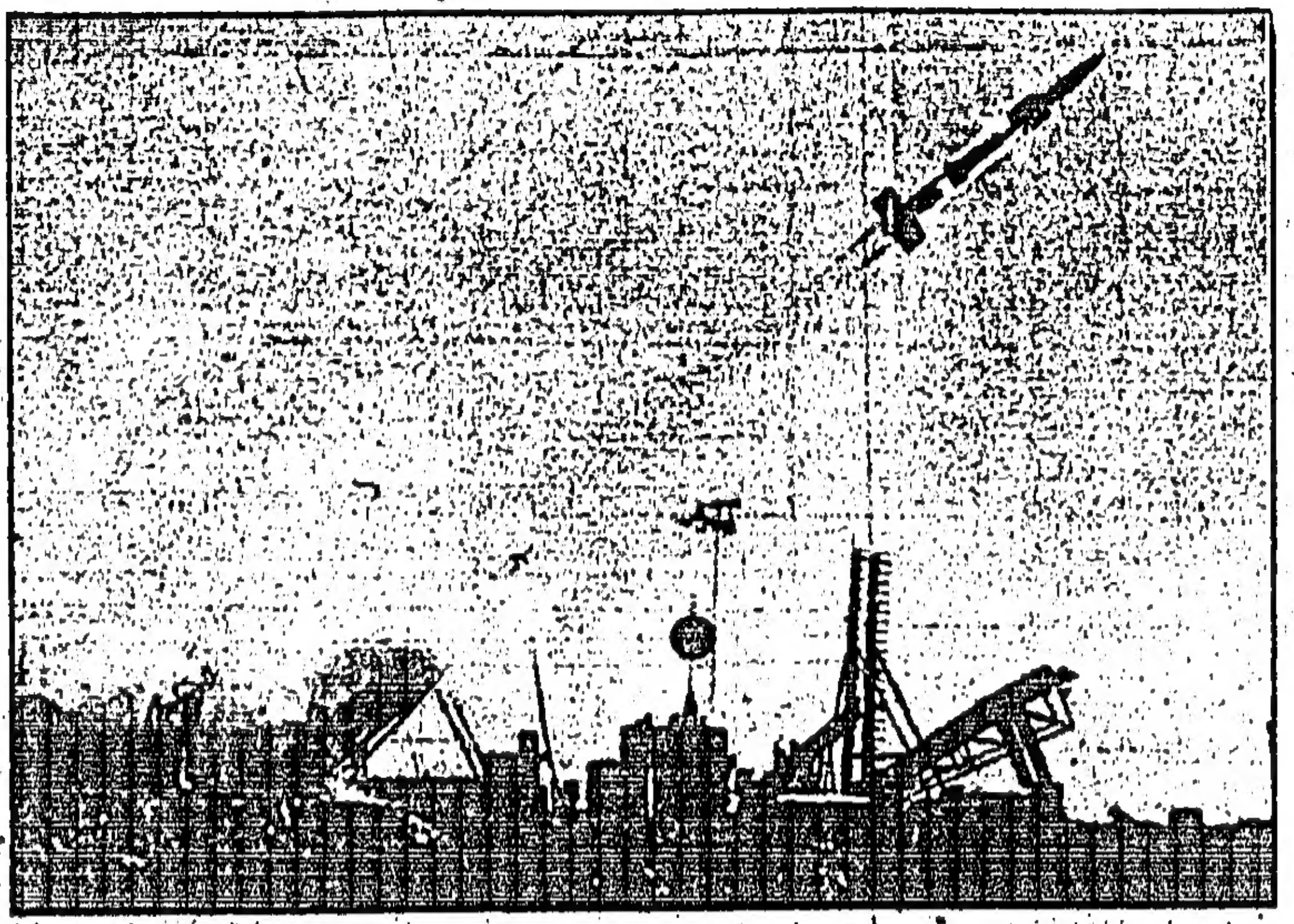
Teheran, May 10. The Majlis (Lower House) ended two months of inactivity with a meeting today, but the session broke up in an uproar and a fist fight.

Opposition deputies Mehdi Mirshahi and Mozaffer Baghai fought with fists and ousted from the floor the newly-elected Deputy Ali Ruyee, supporter of Premier Mohammed Mossadegh.

UN PROJECTS

It recommended speedy implementation of United Nations projects to settle the refugees in the countries in which they are living. A resolution on the general situation said that the League members had decided to take their full part in the establishment of peace and security in the Middle East within the framework of the League and United Nations charters. The Committee also reiterated its moral support for the peoples of French North Africa and Morocco in their drive for independence.

The Committee has revived a Collective Security Pact concluded three years ago of which little has come so far. It was thought that the Arab Governments would submit their plan to Mr. John Foster Dulles the United States Secretary of State who arrives here tomorrow at the start of a tour of the Middle East. - Reuter.



"World Citizen No 1" Is In More Trouble

London, May 11. Garry Davis, self-styled World Citizen No. 1 will appear before the Bow Street Magistrate here today charged with "wandering abroad".

American born Davis, 31, was arrested early today after he had been found sleeping on a Coronation stand and had declined to go to a shelter for the night. It is illegal in England to sleep in the streets and hostels are provided for the destitute.

Davis was released yesterday from a London hospital where he had been under observation after being stopped by police when he ran into the forecourt of Buckingham Palace on Friday.

He then produced a copy of a petition which he said he had sent to Queen Elizabeth earlier asking for her help to secure an extension of his permit to reside and work in Britain. Davis was taken to the Aliens' Registration Office after release from hospital. He was told that his permit to live and work in Britain which expired on April 23 will not be renewed.

WITHOUT MONEY

"But the official did not say how I should leave the country as I am still without money - or a job to earn any," he said afterwards.

"I am still in the same position as I was on April 23 when I was told to leave before. There is nothing I can do and I have no idea what happens next." Davis is the son of an American dance band leader Meyer Davis. In 1948 he tore up his United States passport and camped on the steps of the United Nations building in Paris "to dramatise the cause of world peace, world citizenship, and the one world principle".

March Threat By Migrants

Sydney, May 10. Seven hundred British migrants at the Brooklyn migrant centre near Melbourne have decided to march to the State Parliament to ask for alternative accommodation if a threat of eviction is carried out, it was reported today.

The threat came from Mr. W. Funnell, Chairman of the Commonwealth Hostels Limited, who said today that about 400 families would be evicted from the hostels if they did not pay the full tariff.

Until the "pay as you eat" scheme at the hostels had been decided upon, the full tariff would have to be paid, Mr. Funnell said. - Reuter.

Foreign Policy Speech By Churchill Today

London, May 10. The Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill, was working tonight on a major foreign policy declaration in which he is expected to support "in principle" the Communist truce plan for Korea.

His speech in the House of Commons will be the first major one since the Soviet peace overtures began after Stalin's death and the 73-year-old British leader is expected to give Korea special attention. He is expected to confirm British approval of the eight-point truce plan - if satisfactory Communist clarifications are forthcoming.

Washington already has been informed of this stand. Sir Winston also is expected to assess the chances of a real understanding between Russia and the West. He will assess the Communist threat to Southeast Asia posed by the now retreating Vietnamese invaders of the French-sponsored state of Laos. Finally, he will talk about Egypt and the breakdown in Anglo-Egyptian negotiations over the future of the Suez Canal Zone.

His words will coincide with the visit to Cairo of the United States Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles.

For the past several weeks, Sir Winston has been under increasing pressure from some Socialists in the Commons and slightly-veiled criticism of American handling of the Korean truce talks has appeared in many newspapers.

Sir Winston assured the Commons last week that the talks with the Communists would continue as long as there was any chance of reaching agreement. He insisted that he saw no meaning in General William Harrison's statement that time was running out and he insisted there was no time limit.

There is no apparent Anglo-American disagreement over Laos also. Britain believes that an appeal to the United Nations would only set back hopes for peace in Asia.

REPORTS HERE SUGGEST THAT THE INVASION OF LAOS WAS NOT CONNECTED WITH COMMUNIST TACTICS AT PANMUNJOM. HOWEVER, SIR WINSTON, WHOSE BASIC POLICY IS STILL TO GET A CHANCE TO TALK TO THEM, GEN. HARRISON REMARKED THAT THIS SUPPOSITION WAS "MORE THAN DOUBTFUL".

COMMONS PRESSURE

The influential Independent Observer commented today on Korea that the Communists seemed to be displaying more sense of proportion in the negotiations than the United Nations and, in conclusion, it paid a singular compliment to Sir Winston: "The statesman who in these weeks has not said a wrong word is Churchill. Once more, as in another crisis 12 years ago, the demands that will be made on his strength and wisdom are truly Herculean." - United Press.

Tribute To High Commissioner

Bonn, May 11. The West German Chancellor Dr. Konrad Adenauer said today he "deeply deplored" the impending return of Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick, British High Commissioner in Germany to London to take up the post of head of the British Foreign Office, but he rejoiced that one "who knows the European and especially the German problems so well has been appointed to so important a position". - Reuter.

LYTTLETON OFF TO KENYA

London, May 11. Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, the Colonial Secretary, will leave London by air on Wednesday for his visit to Kenya. It was announced today. Mr. Lyttelton told the House of Commons on April 9 that he intended to visit Kenya to consult with the Governor Sir Evelyn Baring and view the situation there at first hand. - Reuter.

The Latest Weapon

A 600-lb rocket, which could be adapted to carry an atom bomb, takes off from the rocket testing range at Woomera, South Australia. - AP Photo.

Progress At Panmunjom Possible Today

Tokyo, May 11. The United Nations Command was believed today to be willing to relent on a major issue in the Korean truce talks, the Communists would agree to an important qualification.

The armistice negotiators were scheduled to resume discussions at Panmunjom at 2 a.m. GMT (11 a.m. Hongkong time) with the problem of final disposition of war prisoners who refuse repatriation still confronting them.

All signs pointed to this issue being the most important point yet to be solved.

The Communists have proposed that a political conference after a truce decide the fate of any POWs still held by a neutral custodian or custodians after a period of "explanations".

The Allies rejected the idea.

DELEGATE'S DOUBT

Lt.-Gen. William K. Harrison, senior Allied delegate, told the Communists on Sunday that there seemed to be no basis for optimism that a political conference could accomplish what military negotiators could not. But North Korean Gen. Nam Il made it clear what his position was. He said the need for final disposition was technical since he did not expect any POWs to still be held by a neutral after the Reds get a chance to talk to them. Gen. Harrison remarked that this supposition was "more than doubtful".

Observers believed, however, that the UNC would give in on the issue and agree to the political conference deciding final disposition. These observers were convinced, however, that the Allies would demand that a time limit be placed on the period such a conference would have to reach a decision.

Aside from that issue, the UNC's demand for more details on the administrative end of the custodianship by a neutral commission stood between the two sides.

Gen. Nam answered yesterday some of the questions put forward by Gen. Harrison, but left others still unanswered.

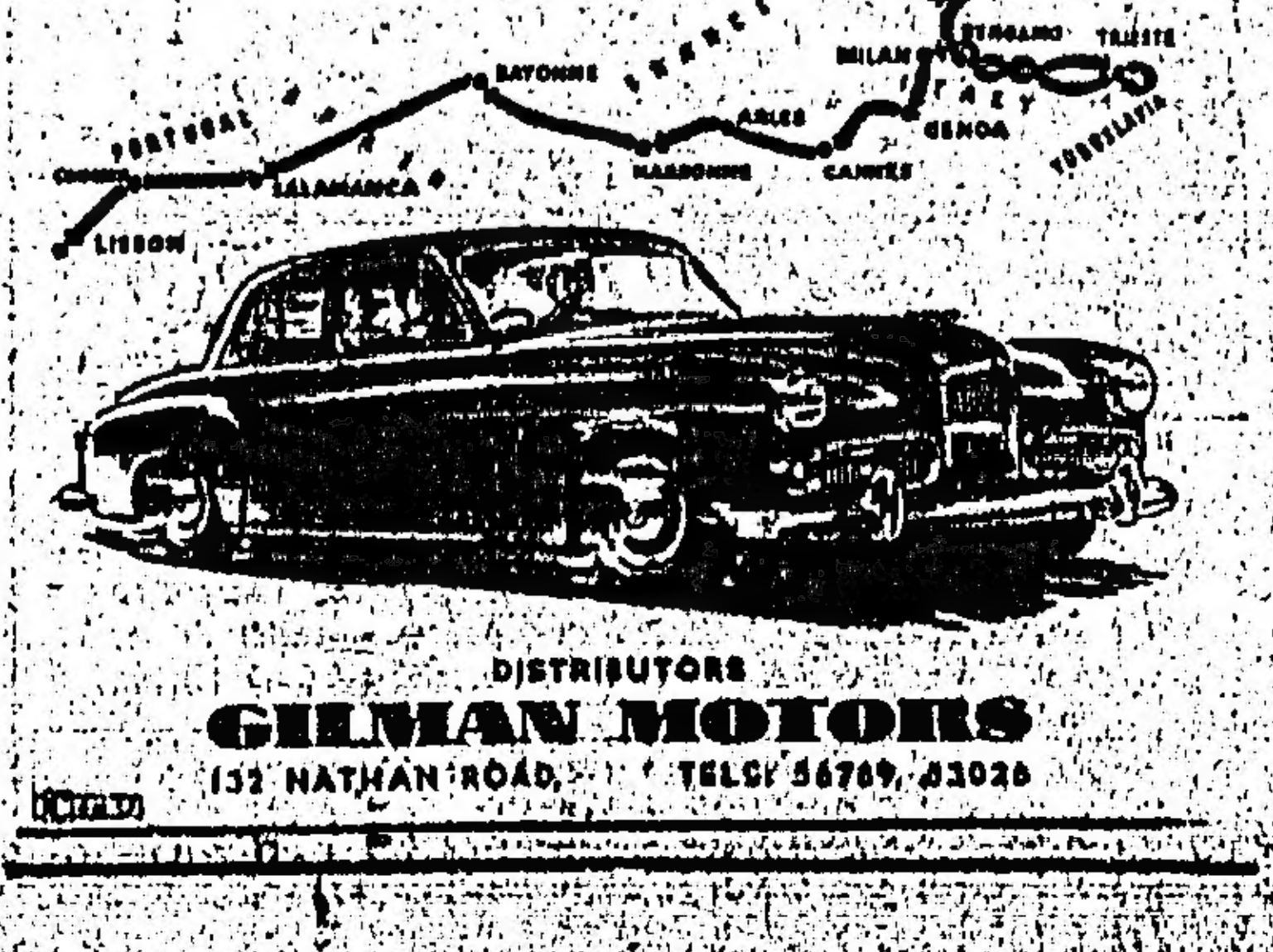
The most important of these questions is how each side would offer "explanations" and "reassurances" to the recalcitrant POWs.

Gen. Nam termed the questions as "detailed concrete arrangements" and again stressed that Communist stand details should be left until basic agreements are reached. - United Press.

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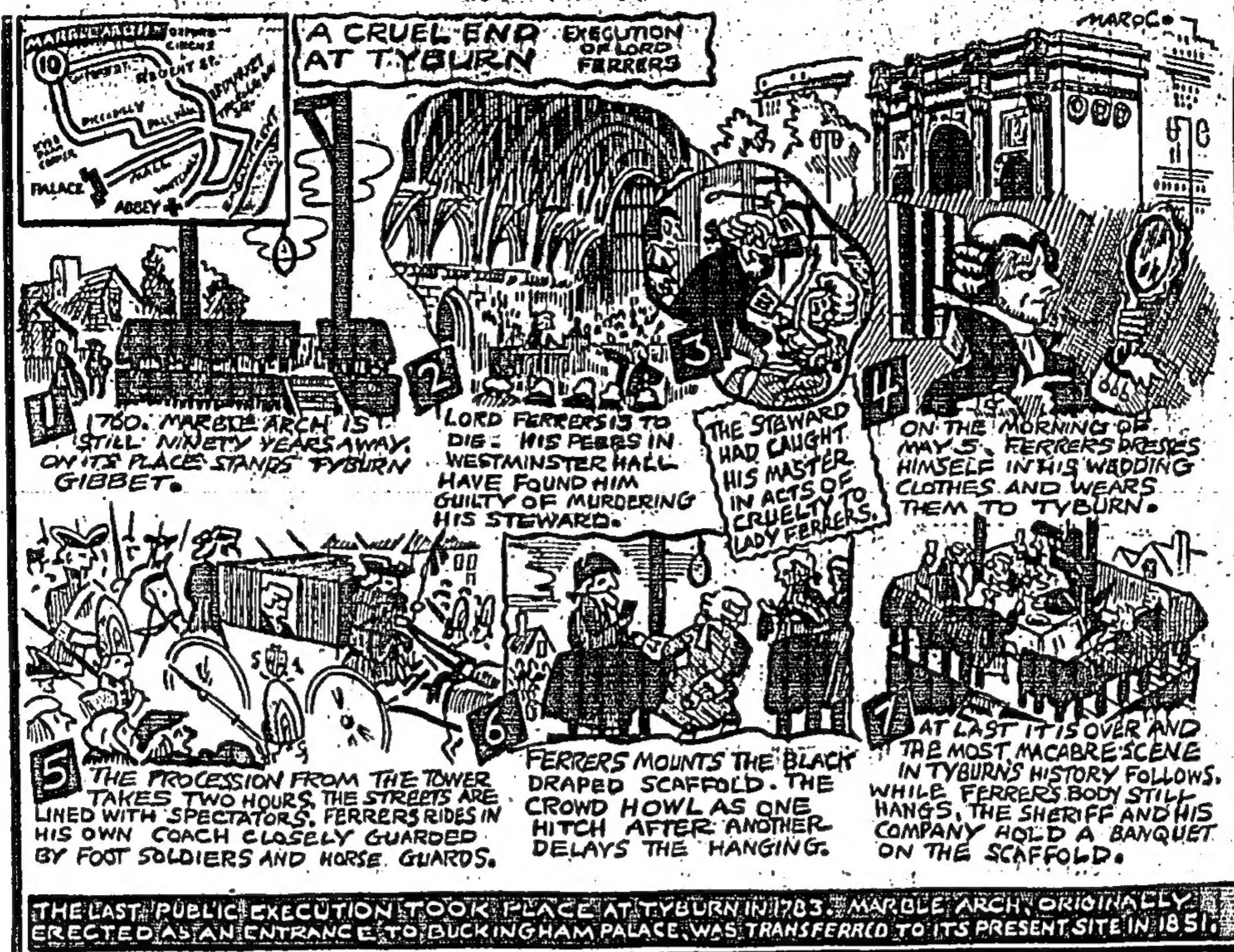


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Quirino Asked To Withdraw Candidacy

Manila, May 11. President Elpidio Quirino was asked to stand down as a Presidential candidate in the forthcoming Philippine elections by an influential Liberal Senator in a broadcast last night.

The Senator was Sen. Tomas Cabili who preferred General Carlos P. Romulo, Philippines delegate to the United Nations as candidate.

A Government spokesman said last night that General Romulo had told President Quirino he was willing to run for any office in the Government from councillor to president. —Reuter.

PEKING DELEGATES IN BRITAIN

Clacton, May 11. Three Chinese Trade Unionists, the first ever to visit Britain from Communist China, will attend the annual conference of the Electrical Trades Union today as "fraternal delegates".

Members of the Chinese Electrical Workers' Union, they arrived in Britain on Friday after a 7,000-mile flight via Moscow and Prague.

The party comprises Mr. Chang Tsang-ming of Shanghai, president of the Chinese union, his vice-president from Peking, Mr. Huang Min-wen, and Mr. Wang Tao, a member of the executive.

In Clacton tonight they stayed in their hotel rooms and declined to see reporters.

A British union spokesman said they had spent the week-end visiting the union's convalescent home at Rustington, Sussex, and were "far too tired to see anybody".

Among resolutions to be discussed by the conference during their week-long meeting are a number on the Korean war, including one urging an immediate cease-fire. —Reuter.

Big Job For Bernhard

Strasbourg, May 10. Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands will be asked by the Council of Europe on Wednesday to accept the post of "high commissioner" for refugees, an authoritative source said tonight.

The 15-nation Council's Committee of Foreign Ministers decided last week to appoint an "eminent personality" to co-ordinate help from member nations for German refugees from the Russian Zone, Turkish refugees from Bulgaria and the "hard core" of last war displaced persons in Trieste.

Prince Bernhard has informally indicated his willingness to accept the post provided the special rehabilitation fund recommended by the Council's Consultative Assembly last year was set up. —Reuter.

Close Contest In Voting For Australian Senate

Melbourne, May 10. Mr R. G. Menzies' Federal Government today ran ahead in the counting of the crucial Queensland votes cast in yesterday's Senate election, but a note of caution crept into forecasts of the outcome.

Mr Menzies, the Prime Minister, told supporters last night "I think we've won", but after hearing of the progress of the overnight count he would not commit himself to a prediction.

"Quite clearly the Government has gained much ground in recent weeks," he said in a statement referring to recent Government setbacks in State elections.

"Any further comment must be deferred until the picture can be seen more fully."

Government strategists hope to capture three of the five upper house seats at stake in Queensland to renew the anti-Socialist tenacious control of the Senate.

Under the proportional representation system, they needed a shade more than half the Queensland vote to achieve this aim.

Figures at about 7 p.m. on Sunday night showed the Government running ahead with 47.16 per cent of the Queensland vote, followed by Labour with 46.18 per cent.

BEETHOVEN MS FOUND

Berlin, May 10. A Moscow music magazine reports that three original manuscripts and a letter written by Ludwig van Beethoven have turned up in the Soviet Union, according to the Tagesspiegel Rundschau, the Soviet Control Commission's newspaper in Germany.

The documents were said to have been found in the collection of N.P. Yussupov (1820 to 1891).

The magazine, Sovetskaya Muzyka (Soviet Music), said the three manuscripts might be from Beethoven's 18 notebooks from which some pages are missing.

The manuscripts are those of a song ("The Contented One"), the sketch of an unnamed aria, and a sketch of a song from the opera "Egmont". —Reuter.

Housing Shortage

Essen, May 10. West Germany, which is now building homes at the rate of 400,000 a year, still lacks 4,000,000 homes in spite of great rebuilding efforts in the last few years, according to the West German Housing Minister Herr Fritz Neumayer. —Reuter.

Aldershot Picture Of Empire

London, May 10. The Coronation Camp at Aldershot, near Aldershot, was a picture of the Commonwealth in miniature today as visiting Commonwealth contingents prepared for their part in the Coronation parade.

Across the parade ground marched soldiers, sailors and airmen from Australia and New Zealand, short, bronzed Gurkhas, swarthy men from Pakistan and Ceylon.

Gurkha pipers practised a Scottish lament with a Palsar Pipe Major in scarlet jacket and turban, and Australian and New Zealand naval officers practised ceremonial sword drill.

Girls of the Women's Royal Australian Naval Services discussed Britain's summer weather and did not like it very much.

In the Pakistan cookhouse, orderlies stirred bowls of rice with a five-foot spoon, and bakers squatted on the ground making unleavened bread.

Captain G. E. Hallwood of the Army Catering Corps, showed shelves crowded with melons, pineapples, pears, bananas and other items rarely found in army stores.

He is expecting a consignment of sweet potatoes and tropical fruits soon for the contingent. —Reuter.

Britten Gets An Enthusiastic Reception

Wiesbaden, May 10. An elegant international audience last night applauded and stamped their feet for the British composer, Benjamin Britten.

For nearly half an hour they reeled him in front of the curtain again and again after a performance of his comic opera "Albert Herring," a highlight of the May Festival here.

It was his first appearance in Germany as conductor with his own opera company. —Reuter.

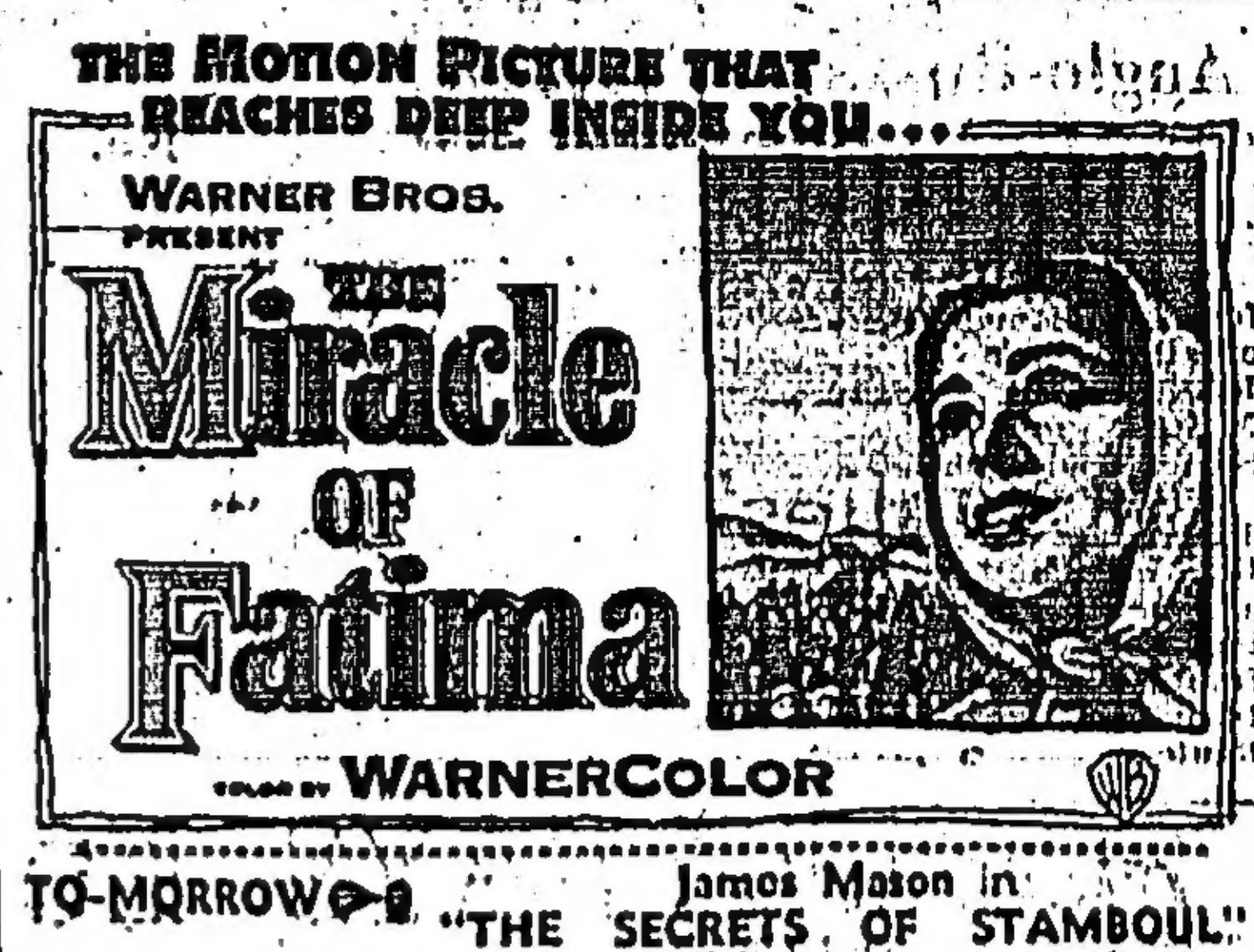
SECOND TIME UNLUCKY

London, May 10. A youth of 17, James Partridge, fell into the River at Oxford, and was rescued by his workmates at a shipbuilding yard. His foreman told him to go home and change his wet clothes.

A few minutes after he cycled away, Partridge was knocked down and killed by a truck. —United Press.

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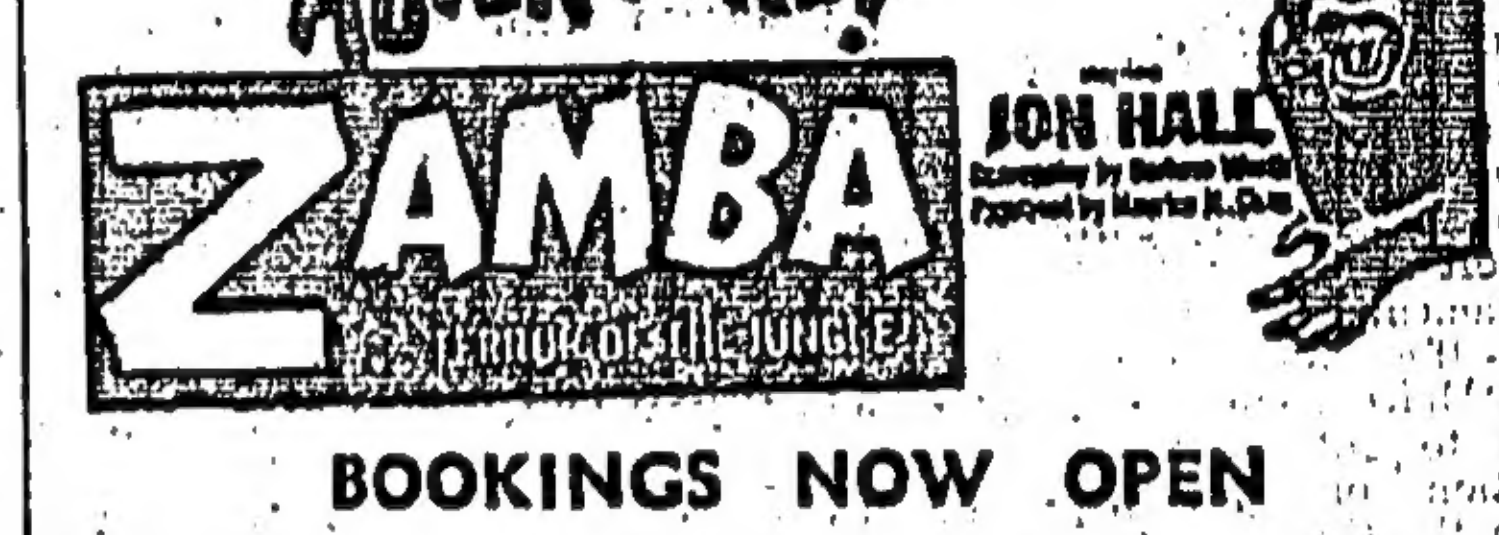


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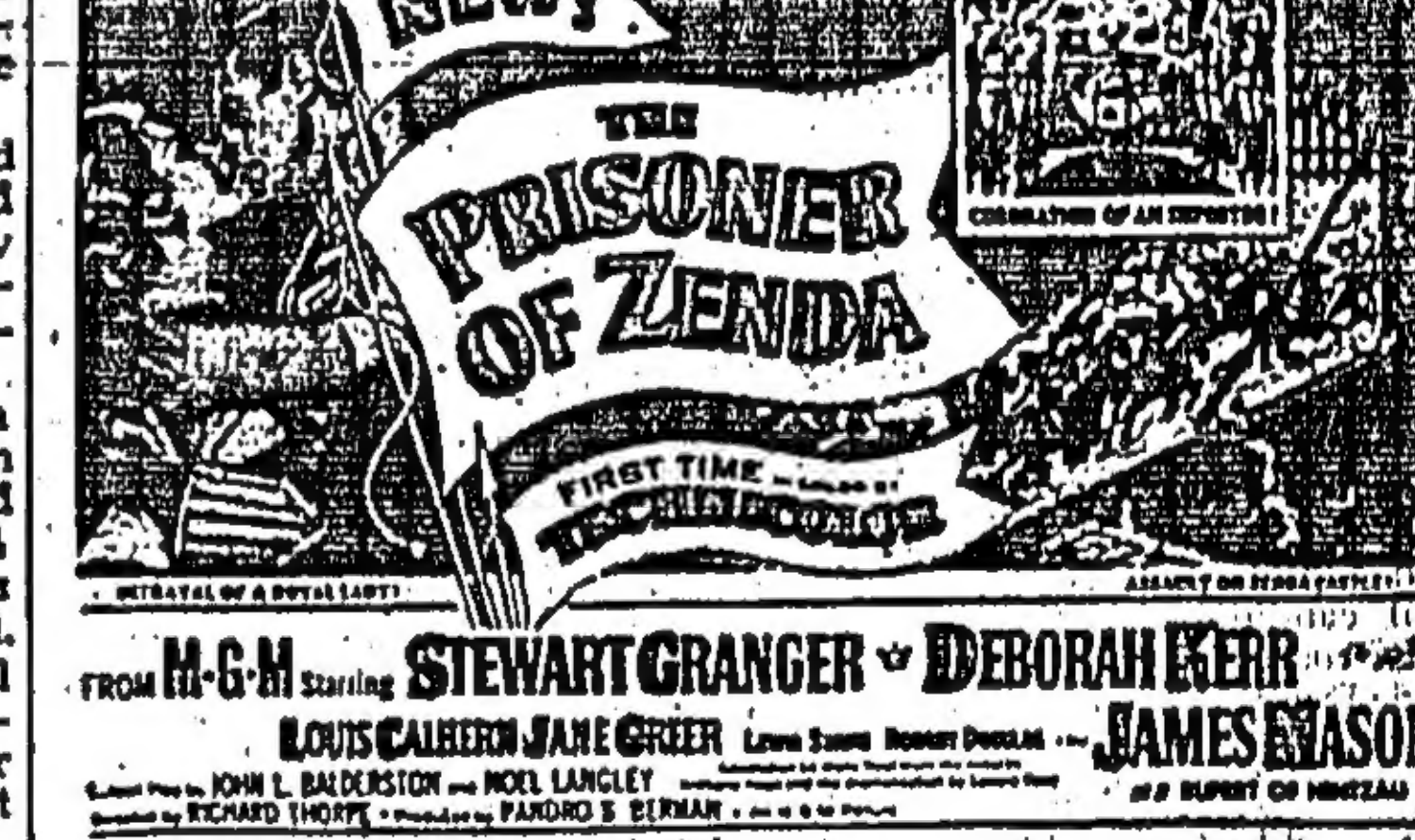
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British Everest Expedition

Prepares For Final Assault

Kathmandu, May 11.

The British Everest expedition has almost completed stocking up Camp Four in the Western Cym, which is to serve as an advanced base camp for the assault on the 29,002-foot summit, according to reports reaching Kathmandu today.

The Western Cym, 23,000 feet along a narrow depression of glacier debris entered from the ice fall on the western flank of Everest, leads up to the South Col, from which it is hoped to make the attempt on the summit.

Supplies of oxygen, food and equipment have been moved up from the base camp on the Khumbu Glacier, pitched at a height of about 18,000 feet. A shuttle service of porters, the hardy Nepalese mountain guides, is being maintained over the sharp series and towering ice crags of the ice fall.

The whole advance party is expected to move into Camp Four on Friday, deadline fixed for the beginning of the attempt on the peak.

Reconnaissance have already been made further up the

Western Cym towards the foot of the Lhotse face, where Camp Five will be established below the South Cym. The Lhotse face, together with the southwest face of Everest itself, encloses the narrow valley known as the Western Cym. This was the route, although naturally not the exact path, pioneered by the British Everest mountaineers, Eric Shipton, and used by the Swiss in both their expeditions last year.

The South Col is the lowest point on the ridge which links Everest with its neighbouring giant, Lhotse, 27,890 feet.

WEATHER FORECAST

It was from the top of the South Col that the Swiss last Spring launched the assault which took them to within 800 feet of the summit—officially estimated at 29,002 feet, though some experts believe that Everest may rise to about 29,200 feet.

Eighteen pairs of extra crampons, urgently requested by the Everest party, are being sent by runner from Kathmandu, so that they may be in time for the attempt on the peak.

The special weather forecast from Delhi for the expedition again predicted snow showers in the Everest area during the next 24 hours, but it was added the weather was expected to clear later.

Hot summer has come early to northern India and Nepal this year, and this may mean an early pre-monsoon fall enabling the party to make their attempt on the peak as planned.

50-1 AGAINST

On the other hand, an early summer sometimes means an early monsoon, and this may cut down the time at the expedition's disposal to try to reach the summit before the monsoon drives them off the mountain.

The chances of a given party to reach the summit in a given time are 50-1 against, said the famous British climber, George Leigh Mallory, before the fatal climb in 1924, in which he and his companion—vanished—near the summit of Everest.

The present British expedition may attempt to place their last camp for the final assault slightly higher up on the south-west ridge than the 27,500 feet West Camp, which was pitched by the Swiss last May.

Even 100 or so feet higher would give them that little extra leeway in which to achieve the remaining 1,400 feet to the summit and back within the hours of daylight. Leigh Mallory said the ice climbing rate is well under 300 feet an hour.—Reuter.

British Document Suppressed

Chicago, May 10. The Chicago Tribune said today in a leading article that the United States Government was suppressing an official summary of Britain's defence programme because it "mocked" what American military and political chiefs had been saying.

The summary, signed by the heads of the Royal Navy, Army and Air Force, has been in Washington since last July, the newspaper said.

The British themselves did not regard it as much of a secret, the Tribune said. It has been suppressed not at the order of American military and civil planners.

Britain intended to concentrate on building her Air Force and was not going to waste time and money in building any army in the vain hope of resisting the Soviets on land. Nor did the British see any need for great naval expenditures. Their big effort would be in the air, where, they had reason to think, they could play a decisive role.

The Tribune said this was also a good plan for the United States.

The Russians, with their preponderance of organized strength on land, had no need to worry about any army the Allies could place in their path in Europe, but they had good reason to fear the West's planes and their bombs, this newspaper said.—Reuter.

'Monty' Opens School



On a tour of Canada, Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery recently opened a public school, named after him, in Hamilton. Here the Field-Marshal shows interest in the work of a pupil.—Express Photo.

Consoling Note In Annual Report On S'pore Trade

Singapore, May 10. Singapore's foreign trade fell last year but the volume of cargo handled was only slightly less than in 1951 which illustrates the true commercial stability of the Colony.

This consoling note was injected in the annual report of the Colonial Secretary, Mr W. L. Blythe, for last year.

Total cargo handled came to 7,003,000 tons or an average of 21,500 tons a day. Approximately 74 per cent of Malaysia's direct foreign imports and 67 per cent of total exports were handled in Singapore.

The report said Singapore's wealth and prosperity continued to rest almost entirely on the dual assets of being the premier port of Malaya and the natural entrepot for the surrounding territories in Southeast Asia.

The total value of imports of merchandise was \$2,849,000, 000 last year compared with the record of \$3,594,000,000. Of this decrease of \$745,000,000 some \$309,000,000 was due to decreased imports of rubber, primarily from Indonesia.

Imports of foreign rubber totalled 317,792 tons compared with 402,080 tons in 1951 due to a decline in imports from Indonesia.

Export of rubber was affected by this and by the slightly decreased Malayan production. Shipments from Singapore fell from 655,023 tons in 1950 to 555,351 tons last year.

LESS FOR RUSSIA

No rubber was exported to China while Russia obtained only 11,125 tons compared to 17,497 tons in 1951.

The United States bought 234,248 tons, a decrease of 125,430 tons in 1951. Exports to the United Kingdom fell by 7,000 tons to 273,855 tons. Tin exports totalled 27,013 tons compared with 29,399 tons in 1951.

Singapore imported 188,200,000 square yards of textiles half of which came from India with Japan next.

The decrease in imports was largely due to more cautious buying and to the presence of very large stocks at the beginning of the year.

Exports were 134,387,724 square yards, mostly to India.

22 Million Will Watch On TV

London, May 10. The British Radio Equipment Manufacturers Association said today that on a conservative estimate about 2,750,000 television receivers would be in use in Britain on Coronation Day.

"On the basis of eight viewers per set, the Coronation will thus be seen on television by 22,000,000 viewers in the British Isles alone," a spokesman said. This figure would be almost half of the population.—Reuter.

ANOTHER NEW PARTY FORMED IN SOUTH AFRICA

Johannesburg, May 10.

The formation of a Union Federal Party was announced today with its main aim "to create in South Africa opportunities for people of all races to enjoy fullness of life and liberty under the protection of law."

It is the second new party to emerge in the Union within 24 hours.

At Capetown yesterday the South African Liberal Party was launched with its sponsors saying that they would stand for political equality of opportunity irrespective of race, colour or creed.

The Union Federal Party statement, signed by 22 sponsors—most of them members of the Torch Commando—said the party would work to "re-shape the present unitary system to one of federal union by a redistribution of power from central to provincial governments giving a far greater measure of autonomy to the provinces, especially in matters which directly concern the life of the citizen."

Condemning both major parties in the Union—the National (government) and United Parties—for appealing to racial prejudice the statement said the new party would serve to rally people who were at present disheartened and "at a loss."

It declared that the new movement would uphold the right of people of any province to remain part of the Commonwealth under the Crown.

HUMAN DIGNITY

"We stand for the recognition of all South African born coloureds and Indians as members of a greater South African community," it added.

Though the party statement does not go so far on its non-European policy as that of the Liberals yesterday it insisted that the South African-born non-European should be accorded a right of expression in the organs of government commensurate with his degree of civilisation.

It would strive for "the essential dignity of every

human being irrespective of race, colour or creed and for the maintenance of his fundamental rights."

Former Senator G. Heaton Nichols, who resigned from the United Party recently, leaves for London tomorrow. He is expected to assume leadership of the new party on his return.—Reuter.

Attack On European Treaties

Frankfurt, May 11.

The German Social Democrat Party will today ask the Constitutional Court to declare illegal the treaties designed to bring West Germany into the European Army and to give her near-independence in return.

The Socialist opposition has fought the treaties tooth and nail all along on the ground that they violate the Constitution.

If they make their point it would mean that they would require a two-thirds majority in the Bundestag, the Lower House, which Dr Konrad Adenauer, the Federal Chancellor, lacks.

He has secured their endorsement by simple majority only and President Theodor Heuss has promised to bring the treaties before the Constitutional Court for its decision.

The Social Democrats in their programme for this Summer's federal elections said they would never agree to bringing the country into Western defence until all efforts to come to terms with Russia have failed.

They say the Pact would wreck all hope of reuniting West and East Germany. If all attempts to come to terms with Russia should fail, the Socialists said, and if West Germany did sign up with Western Europe, a clause must be provided which would lay down that West Germany's obligation to the Western system should lapse if an all-German Government should come into being.—Reuter.

Gesture By Pontiff

Vatican City, May 10.

The Pope did a brisk trade today in the little white silk skull caps worn by the Pontiffs of the Roman Catholic Church. After he gave an audience to about 15,000 people in the huge Basilica of St. Peter's, an old woman offered him a skullcap which she had made.

She asked for the Pope's in return.

Smiling the Pope made the exchange. But six other people had the same idea. For each of them the Pope took off the cap he had worn for only a few minutes and put on the new one offered in exchange. Among the pilgrims were groups from the United States, Scandinavia, Holland, Germany, Austria, Switzerland and Mexico.—Reuter.



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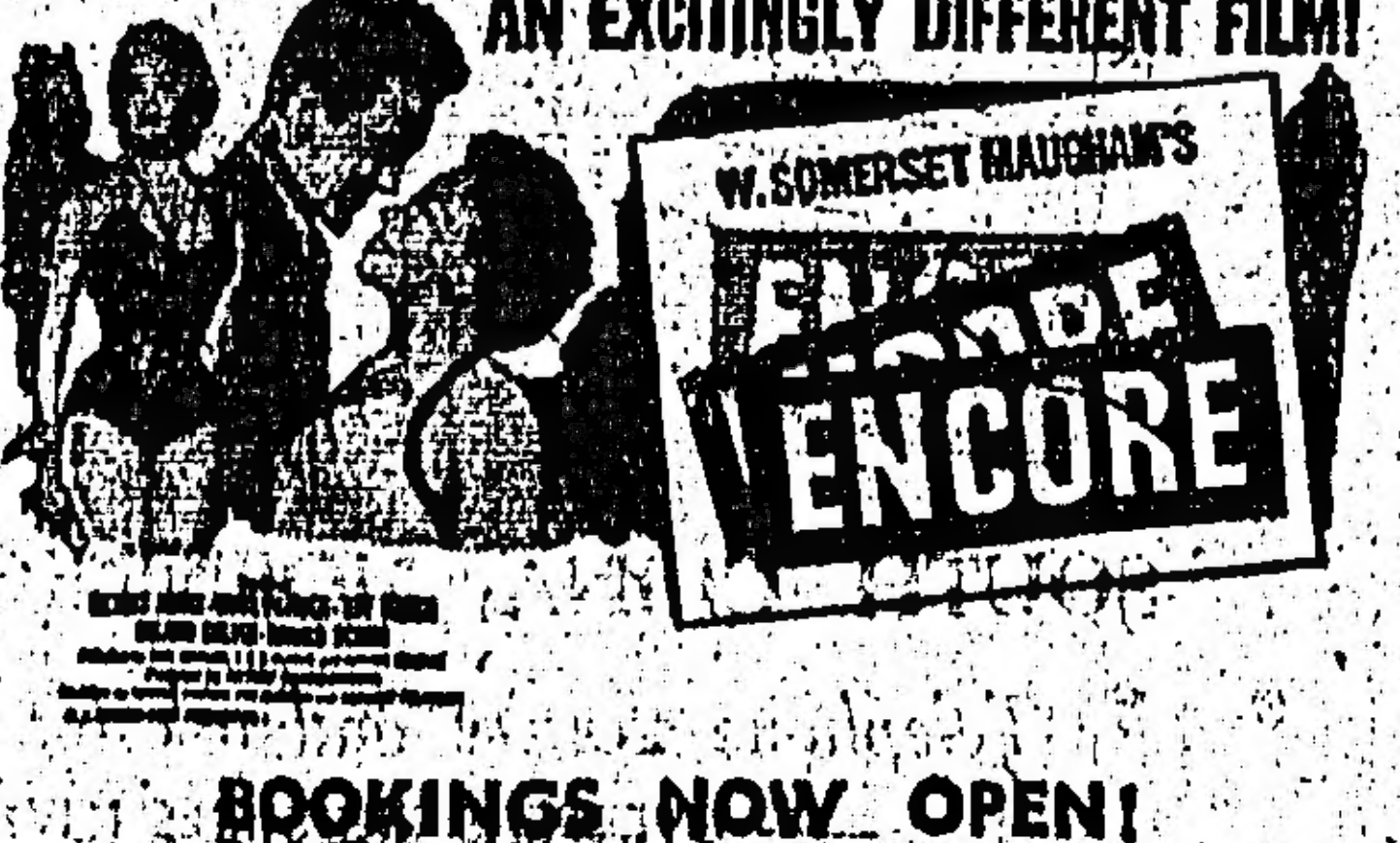
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Anglo-Russian Trade Talks

London, May 10. Mr. Harold Wilson, former Labour President of the Board of Trade, left by air today for Moscow for talks with Soviet trade officials. Mr. Wilson, who in May 1951 was appointed part-time economic adviser to a firm of London timber importers, will discuss future exports of timber from the Soviet Union.—Reuter.

Churchill To Disclose Big Four Talks Plan?

London, May 11. Politicians speculate whether the Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill, will develop the question of top-level talks between East and West when he opens the foreign affairs debate in the House of Commons today (Monday).

Some believe that he has in mind a meeting of the Foreign Ministers of Britain, the United States, France and the Soviet Union.

But he may not feel able to disclose any precise plan until the Commonwealth Prime Ministers meet in London to discuss world affairs immediately after the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth on June 2.

When Sir Winston Churchill addressed a private meeting of Conservative members of Parliament recently he left them with the impression that he might have some special proposal to put forward on the question of East-West talks when the Commonwealth statesmen meet.

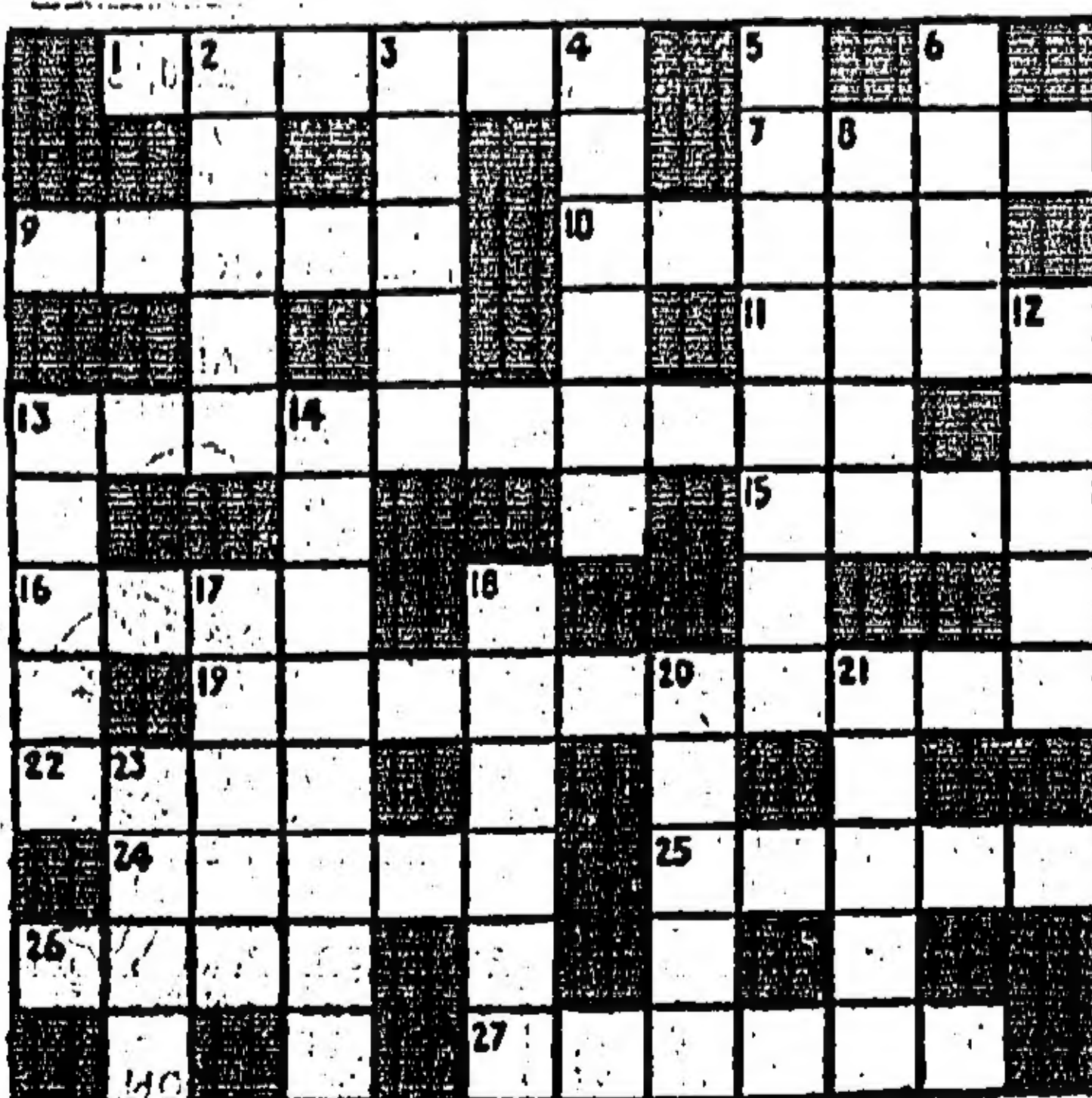
Eighty Members of Parliament have tabled an official motion urging Britain to seize the initiative in seeking an agreement leading to a Big-Five conference. They also want a world economic conference to secure large-scale expansion of trade and greater food production.

The House of Commons will range over the entire international situation in the debate, due to last two days. The Prime Minister will give Britain's views on the latest problems in the Korean armistice talks, particularly the prisoners-of-war issue. He will also comment on the Vietnamese offensive against Laos and the difficulties faced by France in the whole of Indo-China.

Mr. Clement Attlee, leader of the opposition, and former Prime Minister, will reply to the Government's statement on Tuesday.—Reuter.

Bombay, May 10. Mr. Adlai Stevenson, defeated United States Democratic presidential candidate, arrived today on his round-the-world tour.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
1. Baffling puzzle (6).
 7. Incursion (4).
 10. Lissome (6).
 10. Commence (6).
 11. Price (4).
 13. Find again (10).
 15. Vegetable (4).
 16. Courage (4).
 18. Amends (10).
 22. Expensive (4).
 22. Precious (6).
 24. Abundant (6).
 26. Immitable (4).
 27. Without difficulty (6).
- DOWN**
2. Observed (6).
 3. Summative (6).
 4. Battle (6).
 5. Bangle (6).
 6. Fibre (4).
 8. Worship (6).
 12. Symbol (6).
 13. Sluff (6).
 14. Return on capital (8).
 17. Angry (6).
 18. Specimen (6).
 20. Accurate (6).
 21. Drive forward (6).
 23. Notice (4).
- SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.**—Across: 1. Comic, 4. Spider, 8. Irony, 10. Class, 12. Mosaic, 14. Fastness, 17. Tent, 19. Isthmus, 20. Preface, 22. Serp, 23. Artists, 27. Wealth, 28. Lorde, 30. Single, 31. Report, 32. Glitz. Down: 1. Cliff, 2. Moons, 3. Crime, 5. Paci, 6. Bladen, 7. Roberts, 9. Confal, 11. Lethal, 13. Asseria, 15. Acre, 16. Turf, 18. Wals, 20. Psalm, 21. Enwrap, 24. Thing, 25. Elgar, 26. Seeds, 27. Army.

THE IDLE RICH IN COMMUNIST RUSSIA

WHILE religious and racial persecution increases, and the lot of the common man is grinding poverty, the Soviet "aristocracy" and black marketeers lead a life of luxury.

Let us drop in on the Soviet lady who put this intriguing advertisement in Evening Moscow this winter: "Wanted, Nannie with References: Phone 8-36-11."

She will probably be sitting in a high chair at the fashionable Cocktail Bar on Gorky Street (Moscow's Regent Street) or else at the Red Penny Cafe just behind the Grand Opera House. We will recognize her because of the cloud of perfume, "Breath of Stalin," which she exudes, or the more popular "Kremlin Chimes." She will have spent two hours at the Metropole Hotel hairdresser, having her hair rinsed to a vibrant yellow, and her nails painted ruby red. But she is interested, not so much for her appearance, as for the advertisements for nannies or "doberman plinchers and collies with pedigree" which appear in Evening Moscow, the Soviet capital's only evening paper. These advertisements are the first to admit the taste, as well as the privileges, of the Soviet Rich. Usually, the Soviet "aristocracy" hide discreetly in their chauffeur-driven ZIS cars, borrowed from their husbands working in an important ministry, for a shopping expedition or a get-together with a friend of similar standing.

COCKTAILS

LET us take a closer look at the lady. In her right hand she will hold a cocktail made from the famous "Abray-Dyuro" champagne; in the other, a long "Kasbek" cigarette, the executive's cigarette with fine Macedonian leaf and silk cut paper, with cardboard holder, pinched to control the burning. She will certainly be swathed in furs, regardless of the weather, for she is very proud of her three silver fox pelts, which are her immediate passport to social prestige in the

By DAVID TUTAEV

Opera House or on the simplest social occasion. Her dress will still have the "New Look" about it, for although the Kremlin frowned on such bourgeois excesses they just cannot compete against feminine wiles. Not for two or three years will she be aware of the change in world fashions. The new modes will trickle under the Iron Curtain, brought in magazines smuggled by resourceful foreign women, or more directly by the wives of returning diplomats.

Black-heeled nylons (the best are imported from Eastern Germany or Czechoslovakia) and open heel or open toe shoes will be worn, and she favours large, ornate handbags, and lavishly decorated, felt or straw hats.

David Tutaev was born in the year previous to the Russian Revolution. He was educated in England, and is now a famous travel writer and has written for many of the British national daily newspapers and is still a freelance journalist. In 1945/46 he was the Moscow correspondent of the Daily Express.

A private dressmaker makes her clothes, or perhaps they may come from a theatrical workshop. She will wear the "House of Models," having heard it criticized for its lack of chic.

A few steps away from the Cocktail Bar, she will find the number one Gastronomy (food shop) in Moscow. Its revolutionary grandeur, pillars and tiles and elaborate decoration will appeal to her, for her taste in most things has become increasingly reactionary, favouring heavy Victorian furnishings and gogawes.

The ugly advertisement in Evening Moscow informs her that she can buy the best champagne—the pride of the Soviet vineyards—at Number One Gastronomy. The advertisement promises her "exquisite aroma, excellent taste and constant strength" in her champagne, and helpfully informs her that

when poured into a glass, it "bubbles, foams, and froths." She could have avoided the jettling crowds, which regularly go window-gazing or buy a microscopic 100 grammes of meat sausage or butter to supplement an otherwise dull diet largely consisting of bread and cereals. For although rationing cards have been abolished, the average citizen is still rationed by price. But our particular lady probably telephoned her order from her flat or house, and she is by no means rationed by price.

LUXURIES

HER order is delivered at a fashionable house for "responsible workers"—which means that she has a three or four room apartment complete with radio and refrigerator. The price of luxury goods went down recently, thus helping to make the Soviet rich even richer!

Money is no object with her, provided her husband continues to bring back twelve thousand roubles (approximately £600) or so a month, and they enjoy a rent-controlled flat and cheap electricity rates as perquisites which go with the job. The surtax payable on 12,000 roubles a month is never higher than 13 percent. Nor is the percentage higher on a million roubles a month; an income which only a few popular writers and artists can earn. Konstantine Simonov, for example, has an "open" account at the State Bank. He can draw as much as he likes at any time. It saves computing his royalties, and it also prevents him from being too extravagant with the State cashier looking on!

INHERITANCE

IF the lady's husband dies, the most she will have to pay is an "inheritance tax" and a state registration fee and about 10 percent of the estate's value. A clever lawyer can save even on these taxes by declaring that certain properties are not part of the estate. Thus, she may get her summer house (dacha) free of inheritance tax.

How many are there who share the "cake" of the Soviet state capitalism's profits—it hardly matters whether they are paid as dividends or "wages." A rough figure would be around 800,000 to a million people.

Our particular lady (remember that we have widowed her) will receive a pension of a flat rate of anything from 25,000 roubles to 50,000 roubles (£1,250 to £2,500). To receive the higher figure her husband must have been an important general or a Soviet Academician.

But the State is generous in these ex gratia payments to the Soviet aristocracy. Her eldest son will receive about 750 roubles a month from the State, and, if there are another two children, they will receive something like £500 per annum together. No wonder these women can afford a nannie with references. Their security is gilt-edged.

The State provides an automatic insurance fund for its upper classes. But at the other end of the scale, 300 roubles is the maximum old age or widow's pension payable to those outside the Kremlin's munificence—the average Soviet worker. The peasantry are even excluded from this allowance.

PRIVILEGED

WHAT about the children? Stalin's younger son Vasily is a Lieutenant-General in the Air Force. Trade Minister Mikoyan's son is a Guards Colonel—a jet pilot. Of the offspring of the "Red Count," the writer, Alex Tolstoy, now dead, is a "candidate" at the Leningrad Conservatory and his daughter Marianna is a "candidate" of chemical studies.

All Russian children want to be generals, ballerinas, or academicians, and a writer, E. Sirogova, lamented in the Literary Gazette (December 11, 1952) that too few of the children of privileged parents will entertain the idea of doing any "dirty work." She describes a picture of "high officers and civilians with gorgeous portfolios" sitting in a reception room waiting to complain to the director of a Moscow University. The sad-looking parent announced that his son "was compelled to work like a common fitter!"

Too many of these "mother's darlings" are shielded from dirty manual labour, says the writer, adding that most Soviet youths and girls prefer to work in offices and many parents nurture these sentiments. They think that they can "advance to Communism without needing saws, hammers or planes."

NEPOTISM

THE children of the privileged classes can extend their "golden youth" to 23-24 years of age by university and higher institute courses. At the other end of the scale, one million youths between the ages of 14-19 are called up annually for industrial training (girls since 1947 between 15-18). And tuition fees were introduced for students after the seventh class.

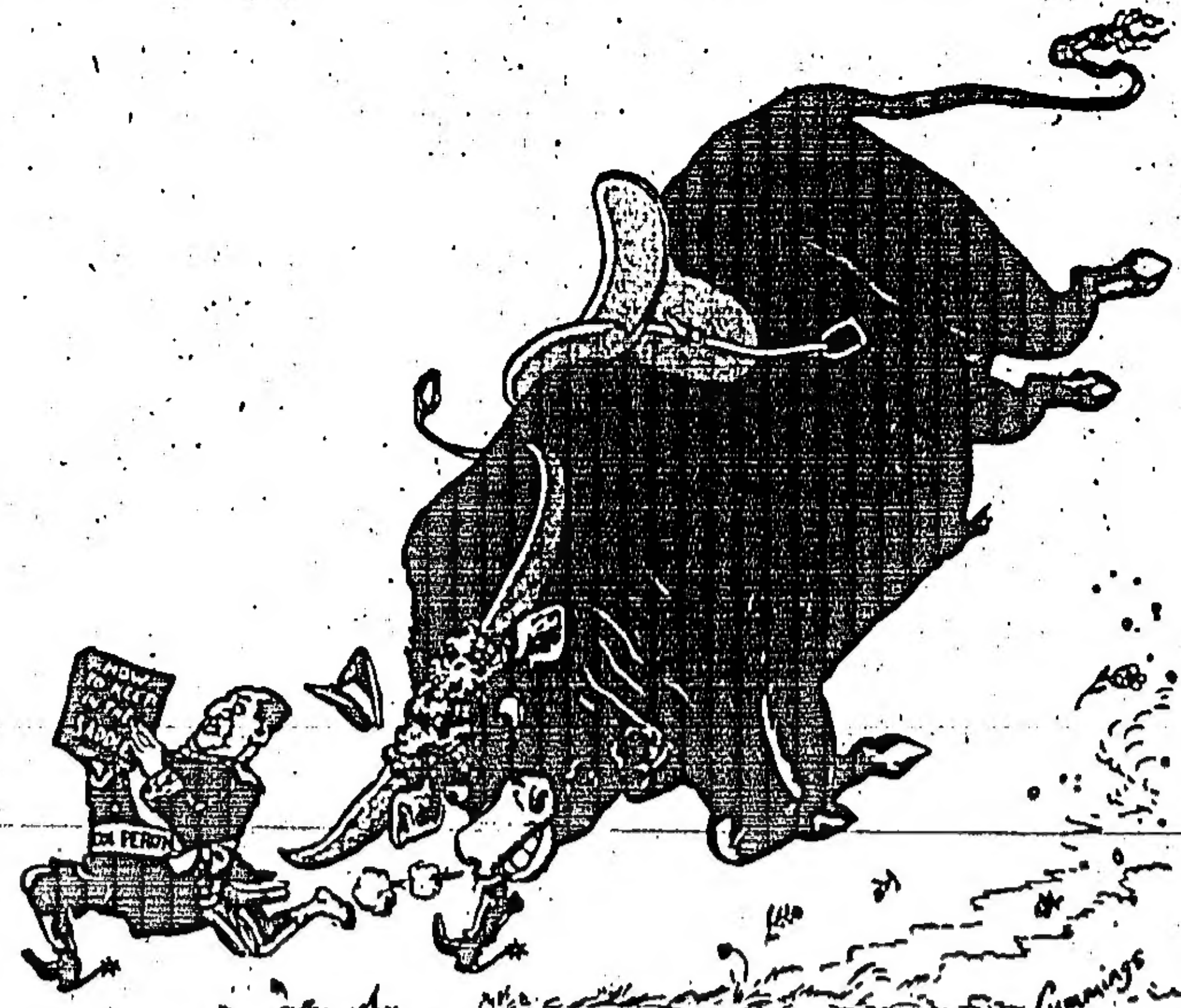
Nepotism goes hand in hand with social stratification in the Soviet Union. One enterprising director of the Avtozavodsk Dining Room Trust in the town of Gorki, found employment in his organisation for all 70 of his relatives! Among them were his wife, two brothers, cousins, nieces, and father-in-law. "Seated on the branching and luxuriant tree of public catering, they dwell peacefully and tranquilly, and do not wash their dirty linen in public," wrote Pravda, (November 16, 1952).

THE sparkle in a young bride's eyes is not necessarily a sign of happiness or abounding health, a doctor reports today. It is due to the unromantic reason that a girl's eyes naturally water more than anybody else's.

Dr. Andrew de Boeth measured the quantity of tears continually produced to keep the eyes moist. He found that:

1. THE FEMALE eye is more watery than the male.
2. IN BOTH sexes tear production falls rapidly with age, so that by 40 our eyes water only half as much as they did at ten.
3. ONE EYE usually waters more than the other.
4. HEALTHY eyes never water during sleep.

VINTAGE CHECK
★ RESTAURANT owners who palm off new wines as old vintages may soon have them checked by the public analyst.



Goodness! Here comes that old joke about a plump gentleman in a field with a bull... London Express Service

A BOOK TO TALK ABOUT

The Very Candid Duchess... By Milton Shulman

SHE made her debut at a white hall given by the Duc de Gramont in Paris. She wore a white tulle dress, designed by Worth, with a full skirt, touching the ground, and a tightly laced bodice.

That summer—it was 1894—she received five proposals of marriage in Paris and three in London.

Now what was there about this gawky, 17-year-old American girl, with the delicate, faintly Javanese face planted almost precariously on a long neck, that sent so many distinguished men to precipitous leaps to their knees? The answer is simple and unromantic—money.

For she was Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt, whose great-grandfather, Cornelius Vanderbilt, had accumulated £20,000,000 out of railway speculation by the time he died in 1877. Her grandfather doubled it.

Much of the energies of succeeding Vanderbilt generations were devoted to trying to spend the family fortune. Consuelo's parents did their bit by building fabulous mansions, by sailing their luxurious yachts across the Atlantic, by travelling through India in a private train, and by accumulating the finest racing stable in France.

The 'prize'

THERE was no lack of suitors willing to share the young girl's inherited task of dissipating the Vanderbilt millions. But Consuelo's mother was determined to find her daughter a husband whose Old World background would make a fitting complement to their New World wealth.

Her acquisitive eye soon fixed on a glittering prize. She made up her mind to marry her daughter to the 24-year-old ninth Duke of Marlborough. In her memoirs, "The Gilt and the Gold" (Heinemann, 15s.), the ex-duchess, now 76-year-old Mrs Consuelo Vanderbilt Balsan, waxes us back with a gentle and stately pen to the day her marriage to Marlborough, their life at Blenheim Palace, and their subsequent divorce.

THE CHAPMAN PINCHER COLUMN

A Doctor Takes The Romance Out Of A Pair Of Sparkling Eyes

ALL newly casked liquor contains a minute amount of tritium, the radioactive substance used in making hydrogen bombs. Tritium slowly disintegrates at a steady rate. So by measuring how much of it remains scientists believe they can judge the exact age of a bottle of wine or brandy.

ROLLING ON

★ THE ATLANTIC water which laps the American coast eventually drifts across to Ireland. How long do you think it takes to cover the 3,000 miles?

The answer is two and a half years, according to calculations made by Dr. George Deacon. This finding explains why baby eels spawned not far from the U.S. coast, take two and a half years to reach British rivers: they are too feeble to swim the distance and are carried by the currents.

★ As chief of the National Institute of Oceanography, Dr.

Deacon leads a 30-man team investigating the deep sea. They can forecast 12 hours in advance the arrival of a bad swell dangerous for fishing boats.

The sea scientists have just moved to a new headquarters—of all places—on a hill in Surrey.

OVER-ACTING

★ THE MURDERER who tries to foist insanity always gives himself away by over-acting, psychiatrist W. Lindsay Newbatter claims in "Psychological Disorder and Crime" (Christopher Johnson, 21s.). The criminal who is really insane usually tries to hide the fact.

Dr. Newbatter, who has examined many murderers, the cold-blooded killer John George Haigh and James John Aboit, who stabbed a railway booking clerk, as recent criminals who tried to act their way to Broadmoor and failed.

It takes an effort of the imagination to realise that barely 50 years separates us from these sumptuous and leisurely times.

A threat MRS BALSAN's pages, sometimes naively but always delightfully, re-create this world of bourgeois quadrilles and emperors oblivious of the advancing shadows of Socialism, income tax, and the internal combustion engine.

Consuelo's marriage to the ninth duke reads like a chapter out of *Anna Karenina*. She was in love with an American whom she only refers to as Mr X, or her Rosenkavalier.

To prevent their seeing each other her mother not only kept her a prisoner but threatened to shoot Mr X should she run away with him. Exhausted by these emotional appeals, Consuelo finally agreed to marry Marlborough.

The wedding was set for November 5, 1895, in New York, until Marlborough, numbering that it would not be suitable for him to be married on the day Guy Fawkes tried to blow up the Lords. It was changed.

The ceremony was 20 minutes late because the bride's eyes were so swollen with tears they required copious sponging. Marlborough, who had never travelled before, was arrogant contemptuous of all things American, and announced he would never revisit the country.

Disillusioned SHORTLY after the marriage Consuelo was stripped of any further illusions she might have had about the duke's affections. He told her he had given up the girl he loved because he needed the Vanderbilt money for the upkeep of the family traditions at Blenheim.

In taking this decision, the ninth duke was merely following in the footsteps of the eighth duke, whose second marriage, to a wealthy American widow, had equipped Blenheim with central heating and electric light.

The new duchess was not impressed with her palace, which overawed her with its pomp, and in which she found

not one really livable room and a serious deficiency of bathrooms. The staff consisted of a butler, two electricians, a groom of the chambers, a valet, a maid, an under-butler, four footmen, a housekeeper, six housemaids, five laundresses, a stillroom maid, a French chef, four assistant cooks, two nannies, and a corps of odd-men to carry coal and wash the windows, which they boasted they cleaned only once a year, since it took them 12 months to go the round.

Dinner alone with Marlborough meant sitting in silence watching him push his plate and cutlery away with considered gestures, after which he would meditate, endlessly twirling the ring on his little finger. After about a quarter of an hour, he would return to his food, usually complaining that it was cold.

But week-ends often entailed looking after 30 guests, and fretting over questions of precedence when they included an emperor like the German Emperor, the Prince of Wales, and four carls.

Favourite OF all the brilliant and witty visitors to Blenheim, the duchess was particularly fond of the vital company of Marlborough's cousin Winston. He had actually been born in a room in Blenheim which, she says, in her time was haunted by the ghost of the private chaplain of the first duke. It had to be kept firmly shut.

When Consuelo first met the Dowager Duchess of Marlborough, she was told: "Your first duty is to have a child, and it must be a son, because it would be intolerable to have that little upstart Winston become duke."

Consuelo obliged by having two sons, and left Winston Churchill with whatever consolation he might get out of being Prime Minister of his country.

But 11 years of an incompatible marriage, in which Marlborough was constantly detached and indifferent, led to a separation and a divorce.

When Marlborough subsequently became a Catholic and wanted to marry again, he asked an ecclesiastical court for an annulment of his former marriage. On the ground that Consuelo had been married against her will, this was granted, letting loose a blast of Protestant wrath in the Press.

Welfare work FREED of her responsibilities at Blenheim, Consuelo devoted herself to setting up homes for working women and other welfare work.

At Sunderland House, in Curzon Street, she not only continued to entertain the aristocracy but organised dinner parties for such literary lions as Shaw, Wells, and Barrie.

She married a wealthy Frenchman, Jacques Balsan, in 1921, and lived in France until Hitler's panzer troops drove her and her husband into Portugal and back to America.

She had lived to hear children singing "The Red Flag" under her window; to learn that Blenheim's upkeep no longer depended on rich American brides but was helped by the half-crowns of thousands of sightseers; to see her world of splendour and privilege crumble into a pathetic heap of memories.

Her regrets are few, and she has no more to wish for the past. But if her book reveals that money alone cannot bring happiness, it also reminds us that it is for more comfortable being miserable with it than without it.

AMERICA COLUMN
from
NEWELL ROGERS

OCEAN WAR OF 1953

NEW-YORK. A DESPERATE ocean freight rate war is under way. It threatens to spread to British seaports and the British merchant fleet.

It is a fight for cargoes from German, Belgian, and Dutch ports to America.

Rates have already dropped so far that this amazing situation prevails: It is cheaper to send a British cargo to Rotterdam, Hamburg, or Antwerp, and then transport it to America than to send it direct from a United Kingdom port.

Here are sample rates, caused by cut-throat competition, since shipowners disagreed on rates last January: Tin down from 22 dollars (£7 17s. 8d.) to 14 dollars (£5 0s. 4d.); staple fibre from 22 dollars to about 13 dollars (£4 13s. 2d.).

AN atomic energy technician, Miss Marjorie Petheram, of Chicago, is among ten women who have won a 1,000-dollar prize for the Coronation. The ten wrote letters telling why they like best a certain brand of coffee.

Each has the right to take one person with her. All 20 have reserved a 1,000-dollar room at Hyde Park Corner. Five are housewives and will take along their husbands. The other five, including Miss Petheram, are trying to decide whom to invite.

BRITAIN has sold already an estimated 3,000,000 dollars (£1,000,000) worth of Corporation goods to America.

COMPLAINT from James Barton, chief cost accountant for the Boeing company, which is building a jet-liner to rival the Comet, the Comet III, built in America, would cost £200,000 dollars (£1,807,000) instead of the £200,000 (£1,807,000) dollars (£275,000) American. It is reported to be paying for British Comets.

Barton's reason, lower British labour costs.

FLATBUSH has until now been one of Brooklyn's humblest, earthier districts. BUT—

The Flatbush Avenue Merchants Association announces that during the three days of bargain sales the street will be sprayed with a new, exclusive perfume—Eau de Flatbush No. 5.

A MORE democratic way of life arises in UNO's lifts.

In former Secretary-General Trygve Lie's day UNO's steps were stepped back and out, respectfully when Mr Lie entered. Now the lift stops at every floor.

WHAT a crowd of American golfers for the British Amateur at Royal St. George's, Sandwich, Kent, on May 10, 1953.

DOOMED to two years' life continuous London fog—1880 white mice, into a fridge converted into a smog (foot and fog) chamber percolates will be put to rest.

In another chamber, 1,000 white mice will live in filtered pure air.

The test may answer the question: Does smog cause lung cancer?

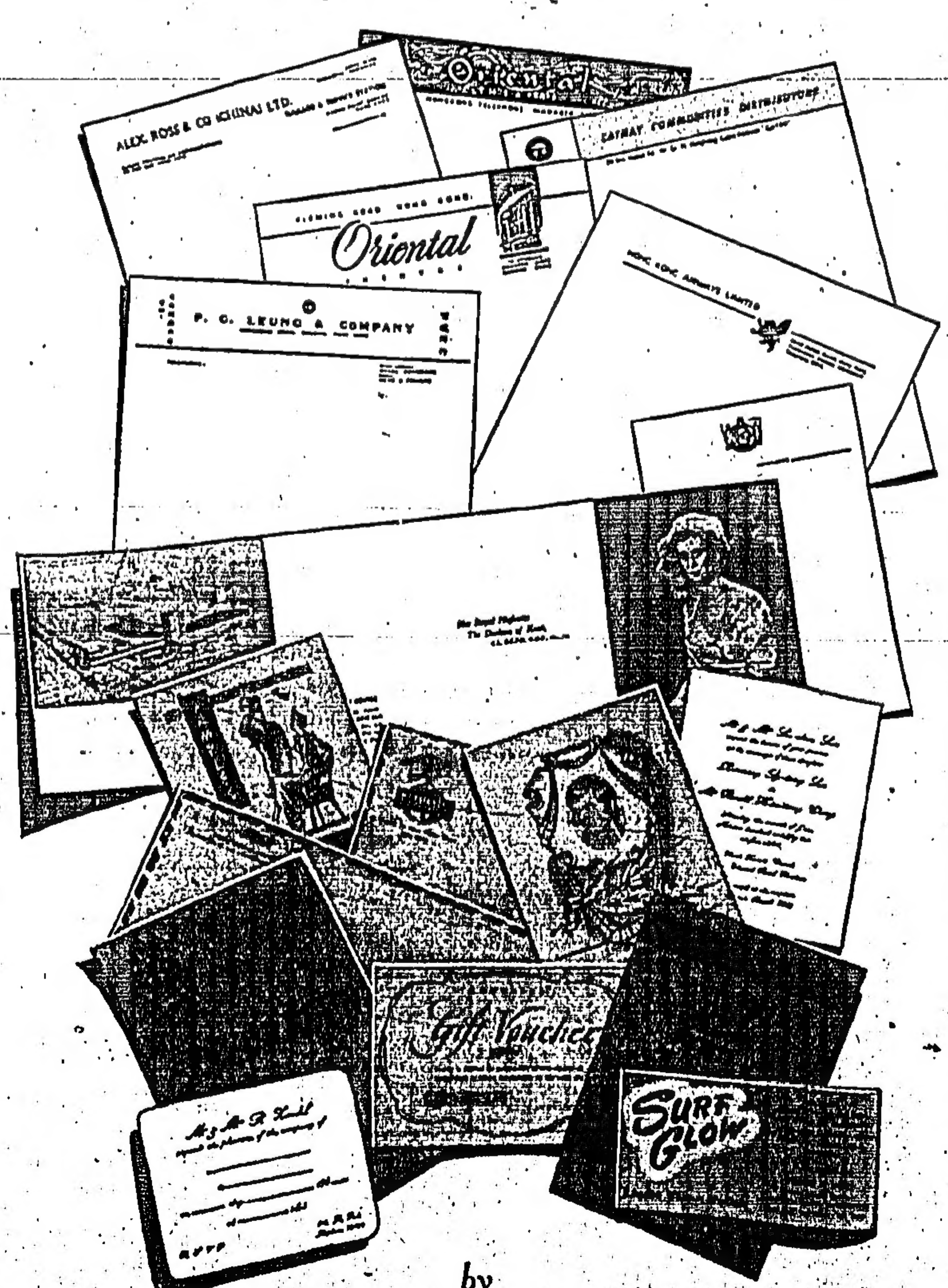
SNOW-PLoughs were called to Williamette Pass in the Oregon Mountains to clear the road of a deluge of mud from an overturned lorry.

POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER



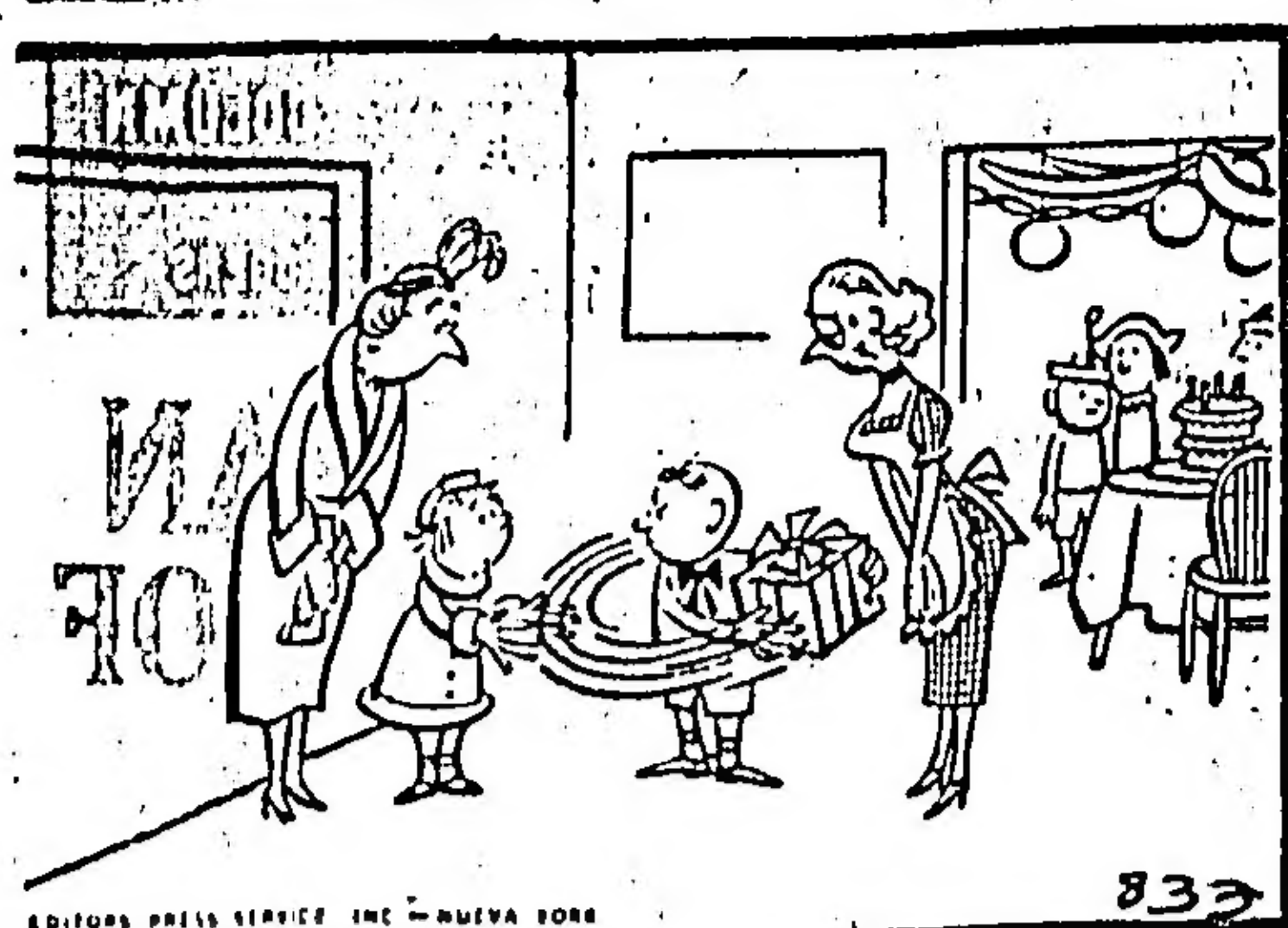
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• BY THE WAY • by Beachcomber

ESKIMO DWARF IN SCENE SOCKS MADE OF WOOD?

No, Says Flying East

THE pottergeist who smashed 807 saucers, nine mirrors, and a fish-barral at Sutton Courtney can rest assured that the game is up.

The hairy psychopaths have discovered what is the matter with all of an experience in early life. An explosive loosening has spilt the infantile part of their personalities. What this means is that their utopian balance has been upset by a non-rhythmic shock.

Fun at the auction

I HAVE been reading of incessant chattering which seemed to come from a chimney. The bubble was subsequently traced to a servant-maid who had wedged herself comfortably in her sooty nest. She was pronounced to be an unconscious ventriloquist.

Like the woman who got into an auction and landed a woman who had never opened her mouth with a warning pan, six hock glasses, a blueburn portrait, Buckton's "Pink Life" 12 volumes, a woman's chest and an enormous chandelier.

Tour of inspection

ASKED what active part Rear-Admiral Sir John Hoddson was taking at present in the affairs of

the Saucy Mrs. Flobster, Mrs. Witherspoon said: "The Admiral is a sunny, like all the silent service. Last time he came aboard on a tour of inspection, he said dispassionately that 'it might as well inspect a refuse dump. She had a bad list to put that day, and when he remarked on it, I said, 'We can easily make it a list to starboard by going and landing on the other side of the deck.' He made no reply, 'aving wedged his left foot in a broken bucket. I use for forcing rubber down below. He said, 'You can't even read 'er name, the letters in notated; to save person, I say, 'Who's got to mistake 'er for hairy other ship, might I have?' He nodded sadly like a sick 'orse, and disembarked 'iself with an oath."

Here and there

WHEN the perflin arrives, audiences will be able to sit behind a high wall built across the auditorium and watch films through periscopes attached to their seats. The first perflin, "A Day in the Life of A. Snail," in colour. This is thought to be the answer to the children of the upside-down film, which has to be looked at through mirrors.

A MAN whose tears come out of his ears is under observation at Shepton Mallet.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, MAY 11

BORN today, your inventive genius, your energy and your great enthusiasm for everything you undertake should combine to make you a success in the road may not be an easy one to travel. Your physical strength and your good head, too, and know how to make a shrewd deal. You never forget the money angle, either!

Although you are primarily a peace-loving person and dislike being in unharmonious surroundings, you are not one to make concessions or seek peace at any price. If you must, you will fight for your full rights. You are a practical what you preach, even if you do have to discard diplomatic tactics and really give battle.

TUESDAY, MAY 12

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21) - Worry will only impede progress which should be yours by utilizing your best talents. So, don't worry; keep smiling.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21) - Business and financial matters should be considered very carefully before taking decisive action.

CANCER (June 22-July 23) - Publicize and you should see it develop very successfully at present.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23) - By reading widely, you should be able to broaden your outlook on life. You also can improve your attitudes.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23) - Unless you are sure you can deliver at once, don't make a promise. Better to answer "no" than a "yes" that is only a "maybe."

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23) - Call upon your self-control if your temper is aroused. It will do a lot of harm to try to do the handle!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23) - Don't sign any agreement or contract without reading all the fine print very carefully.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23) - If you need relaxation this evening, join a friend with similar cultural likes. Maybe attend the theatre.

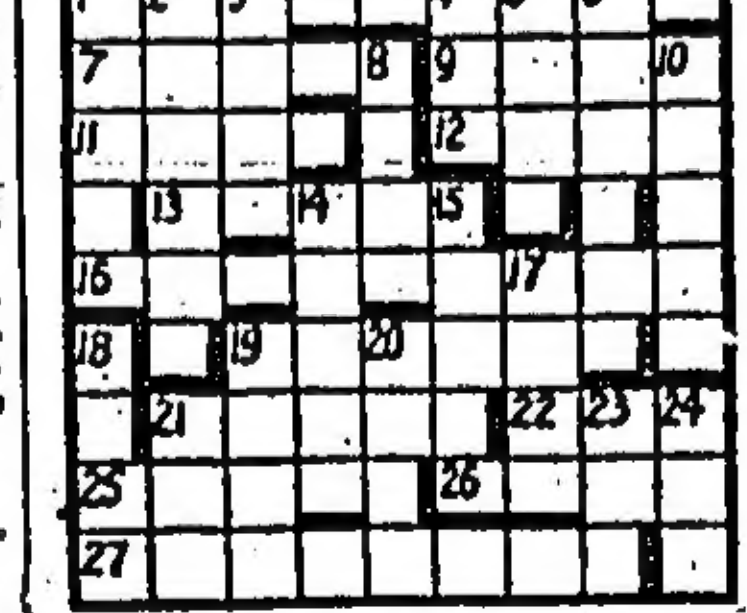
CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20) - Procrastination is "out" for today. If you have been putting off a job you dislike, tackle it right now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) - Remember, dear friend, with a birthday gift of happiness to you, doing it.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20) - Be pleasantly diplomatic if you must force an issue just at this time. Don't be too aggressive, it won't pay.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20) - You can avoid a bad explosion if you keep clear of any argument growing up around you today.

CROSSWORD



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JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Figure All Hands
With Point Count

NORTH		10
♠K6	♠A2	
♥83	♥702	
♦KJ985	♦432	
♣AQJO	♣8543	
WEST		EAST
♠QJ10854	♠A2	
♥K4	♥702	
♦Q107	♦432	
♣72	♣8543	
SOUTH (D)		
♠973	♠A2	
♥AQJ1008	♥702	
♦A	♦432	
♣K109	♣8543	
North-South vul.		
South	West	North
♠	♥	♦
♥	♠	♣
♦	♥	♠
♣	♠	♥
Opening lead—♠A	Q	

BY OSWALD JACOBY

SOUTH's first rebid in today's hand is only two hearts since he has only 14 points in it. I said, "We can easily make it a list to starboard by going and landing on the other side of the deck." He made no reply, "aving wedged his left foot in a broken bucket. I use for forcing rubber down below. He said, "You can't even read 'er name, the letters in notated; to save person, I say, "Who's got to mistake 'er for hairy other ship, might I have?" He nodded sadly like a sick 'orse, and disembarked 'iself with an oath."

When West opens the queen of spades, South must resist the temptation to cover with dummy's king. There is no reason to suppose that West has led from a suit headed by the ace and queen. East must have the ace of spades, and it can therefore do no good to play dummy's king.

When West is allowed to hold the first trick with his queen of spades, he can do nothing to defeat the contract. He continues with spades, and East takes the ace. East returns a low trump, and South must hop right up with the ace. Declarer next cashes the ace of diamonds, enters dummy with the ace of clubs, and carefully discards his last spade on the king of diamonds.

At this point South can afford to give up a trump trick to West's king. South can regain the lead no matter what West returns, and it is then just a matter of drawing trumps and claiming the rest of the tricks.

South would lose his contract if he played the king of spades from the dummy at the first trick. East would win the first trick with the ace of spades and return the suit, whereupon West would win and lead a third spade. East would over-ruff the dummy, thus winning the third defensive trick. West would eventually get his king of trumps to set the contract.

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:

South West North East

1 Diamond Pass 1 Heart Pass

You, South, hold: Spade 2, Hearts K-Q-J-7, Diamonds A-K-J-9-8, Clubs K-Q-10. What do you do?

A—Bid four hearts. You have a count of 17 points in high cards, 2 points for the singleton, and 1 point for the king of your partner's bid suit. You are willing to be in a game contract no matter how weak your partner's response may be. If he has a fairly good hand, including two aces, it is up to him to make a slam try.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding has been:

North East South West

Pass Pass 1 Heart Pass

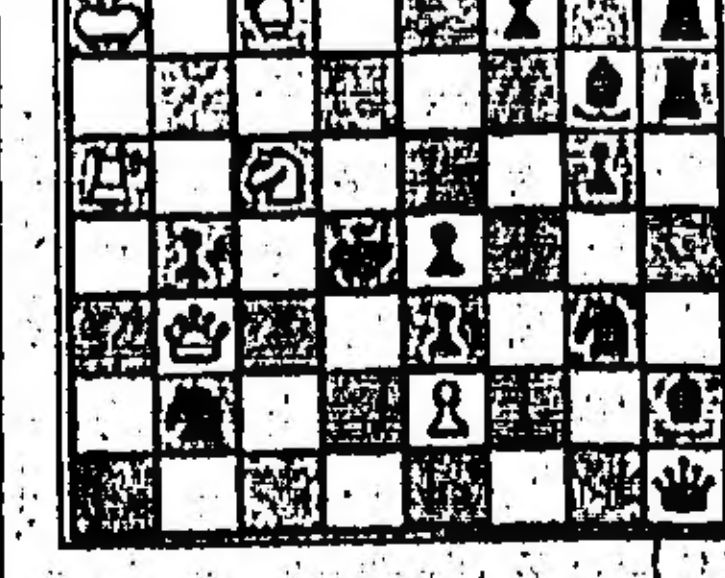
1 Spade Pass 7

You, South, hold: Spades 9-8-2, Hearts K-Q-J-7-5, Diamonds A-Q-8, Clubs 9-3. What do you do?

CHESS PROBLEM

By G. GOLDSCHMIDING

Black, 13 pieces.



White, 6 pieces.

White to play; mate in two.

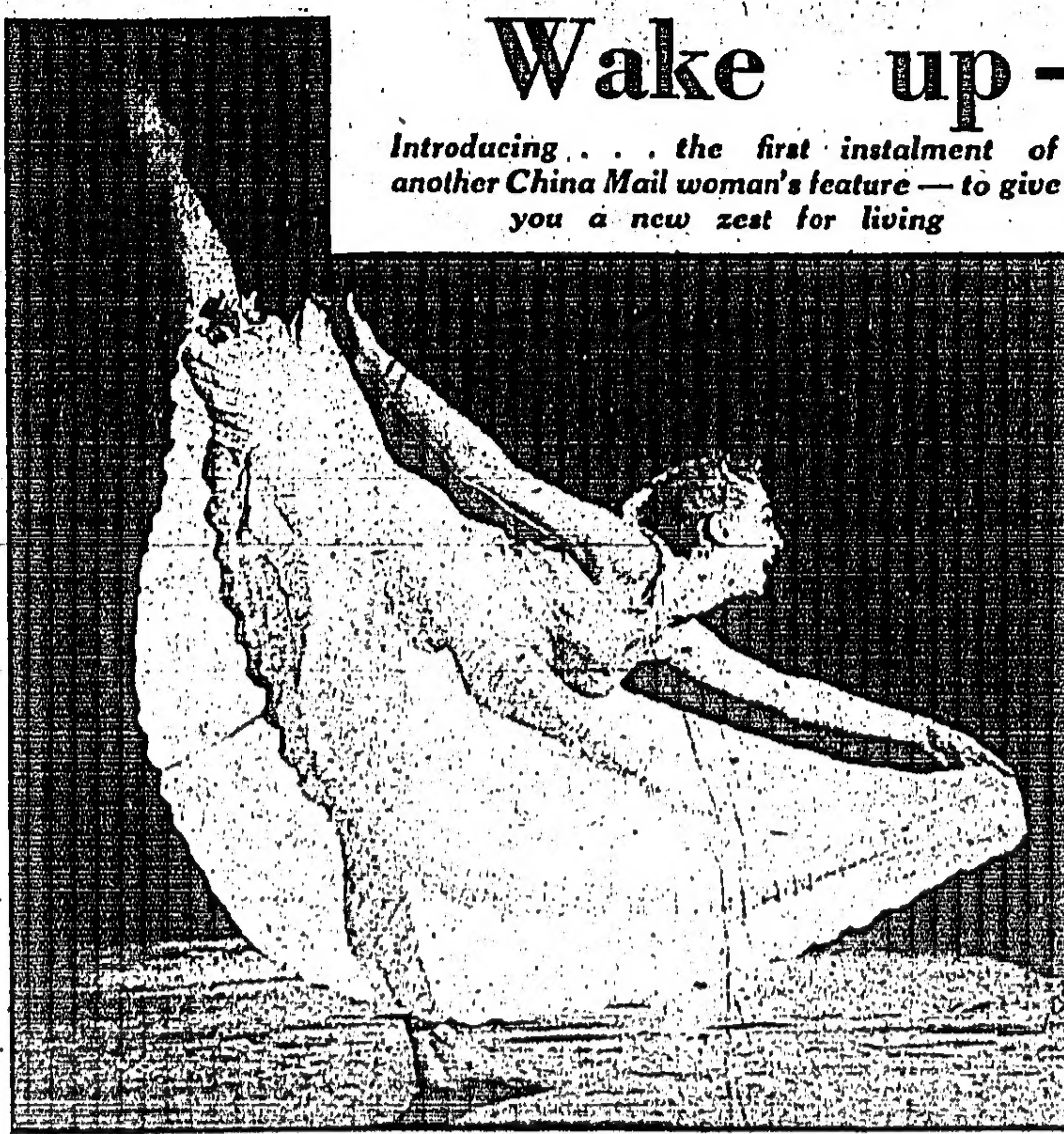
Solution to Saturday's problem:

1. B-Q6, 1... KQ-B6; 2. P-K4, 1... KQ-B6; 2. P-K4,

WOMANSENSE

Wake up—and LIVE!

Introducing... the first instalment of another China Mail woman's feature—to give you a new zest for living



And here is YVONNE MARSH in action. She was Britain's Perfect Schoolgirl in 1949, and to keep her streamlined figure she regularly practised the exercises you will read about in the China Mail this week.

NOW is the time to try exercise the new way. No old-fashioned "physical jerks" to make bulging muscles, plane-leg curves, and tire you out.

Jump out of bed and S-T-R-E-T-C-H, slowly and relaxed. Now spend ten minutes before breakfast doing some of the exercises we will show you this week.

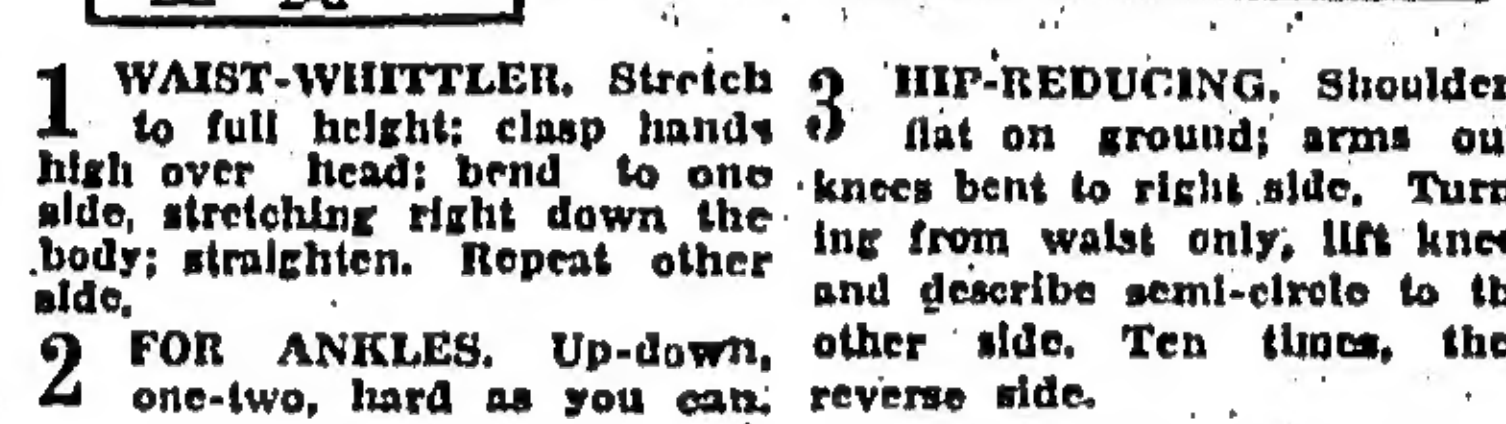
If you are very overweight, these exercises will not achieve miracles (there will be some-things for you people later on).

But they will trim, tone and take away inches of flabbiness. Probably the best exercise of all to start the day is the one you see being done in the picture by Yvonne Marsh, up-and-coming starlet in revue.

It turns you up; keeps legs and thighs trim.

Try it—Weight on the left foot, right foot pointed behind; arms outstretched.

Raise right foot off floor and swing forward as far as possible. Return to first position and see-saw back and forward. Repeat on other leg.



1. WAIST-WHITTLES. Strich to full height; clasp hands high over head; bend to one side, stretching right down the body; straighten. Repeat other side.

2. FOR ANKLES. Up-down, one-two, hard as you can, reverse side.

Lana Streamlines Her Life

By CLEMENT DON JONES

Hollywood. "That little potluck supper turned into a feast—barbecued half of beef, with the most biting and tasty sauce, chili peppers, all kinds of fruit, every type of sweet, warm hostess, pitillity, and music, music."

It was probably this scene as much as anything else, she said, that made her realize a lot of joy can be gained by discarding the things which gradually seem to become important.

"I particularly enjoyed working on that picture," she recalled, "because I had visited the actual locales of our story. Several years ago, I holidayed in South America and discovered how wonderful and exciting new places can be. It was my first trip outside the United States."

"When we filmed the fiesta scenes in the picture, I was reminded of the night a group of South Americans invited me home for a 'pick up' dinner."

"And to prove I'm serious about this streamlining business, I'm even selling my clothes budget."

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Half-Past Eight On Monday

—That's When Broom Calls Her Family to Work—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF, the shadow-boy with the turned-about name, was sitting very quietly in a corner of the kitchen. Mother had just gone off to answer the doorbell, and Knarf was alone.

Just then, he heard a voice saying: "Pardon me, young man."

Knarf looked around. He could see no one. "Who said that?" he asked.

"I did," replied the same voice. It came from the opposite corner. Knarf looked and saw a broom leaning against the wall.

Been Working for Years

"Come now," said the broom sharply, "don't look so surprised. This isn't the first time you've ever heard me. I've been working around this house for years. What time is it, please?"

"Half-past eight in the morning," said Knarf, not feeling any too comfortable about talking to a broom, but not knowing what to do about it. "Half-past eight on Monday morning," he added.

"Fine! Fine!" exclaimed the broom. "That will be all, young man. Thank you very much!" Then she began calling loudly. "Children! Did you hear that? It's half-past eight on Monday morning!"

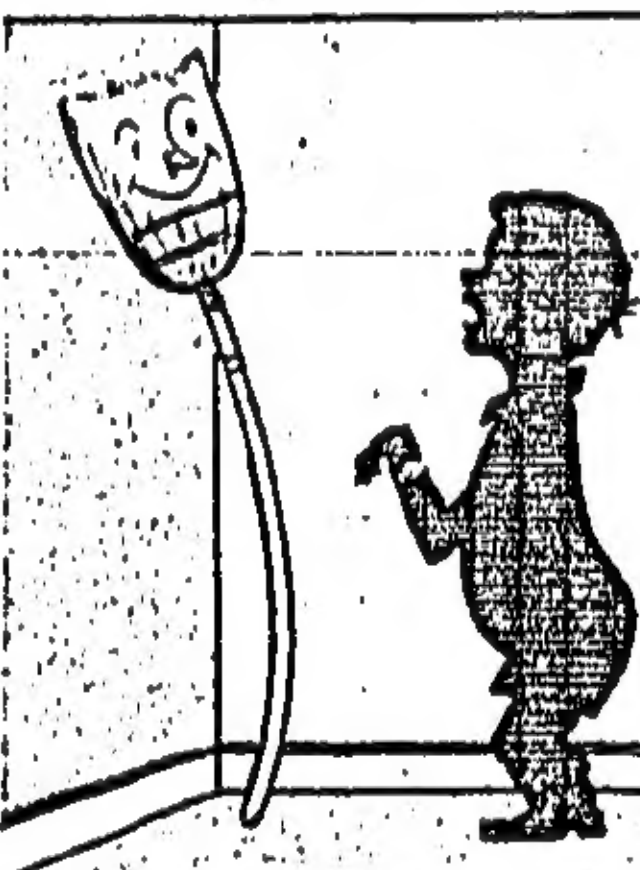
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Rupert and Morwenna—44



The sight of the end is too much for Dan! He starts forward, but before he reaches the boulder, the great creature has turned and disappeared. On the way back the old man is silent and they meet Mr. and Mrs. Bear. Then he seems to come to life. "Yes all true," he cries. "Seed's with my own eyes. I ALL RIGHTS BELIEVED Tomorrow."



A surprised Knarf told the broom what time it was.

"Oh—er, yes ma'am?" Knarf answered.

"You'd better get up out of that corner before I sweep you out. When I start working, I haven't the time to tell folks to move out of the way. I'll just sweep you—swish—into the dustpan! So you'd better move! And don't hide under the bed!"

Knarf didn't wait to be told any more. He sprang up out of the corner and ran out into the garden just as Mother finished answering the doorbell and was returning to the kitchen.

"I just got out in time," he said to himself after he had climbed to the other side of the garden wall and had dived behind a rose bush. "That broom can't get me here!"

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How's Your Fashion Sense?



If you want to be chic, choose fashionwise clothes and a col-fure that's a la mode. This hairdo is one of the newest styles.

By HELEN FOLLETT

CHIC and charm! There you have a combination that makes for feminine loveliness. The chic part of this glamour duet calls for fashion sense. It means frock, chapeau, gloves and shoes must all be in colour-tune. The colfure must be current and the complexion in healthy, attractive condition. If all these things add up, no girl need worry about the way she looks.

Where Hips Show Up

There are no standardised fashions these days. That means that there are flattering modes for all types. Your skirts can be full or they can be sheath. The latter style is not for Miss Flippy. It reveals too many curves. Only the perfect shape is entitled to wear snugly-fitted skirts. That also applies to sweaters that belong to figures that are slim.

It is a woman's special business to find out precisely what suits her, what makes her most distinguished, in appearance.

Edit Your Clothes

Hint! That's where many women fall down in getting themselves together. A too-fussy hat detracts from facial charm because it is dominating and overpowering. If a woman feels "all dressed up" she should do a little editing, delete some ornaments.

Stockings! Dark colours for plump legs, lighter shades for the skinnies. All these are basic rules. One cannot make a mistake by following them.

DUMB-BELLS

I WANT YOU TO STAY HOME TONIGHT AND TELL US JUNIOR BEFORE YOU'RE OUT!



5000 PRIZES TO BE WON

WHAT'S HER LINE? NATALIE R. FREED

(Solution on Page 10)

HKAAA OFFICIALS COME THROUGH WITH TWO BRILLIANT VICTORIES

By "RECORDER"

Two members of the Council of the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Association came through from behind with brilliant—if narrow—victories at the Combined Services v. Combined Civilians meet at Kai Tak yesterday.

These two victories by men who direct athletic endeavour in Hongkong put into the shade the only Colony record set—Rita Hall's flashing 28 seconds flat in the 220 Yards Dash.

The HKAAA Council points with pride this morning to the victory of G.S. Kennedy-Skipson in the One Mile Race Walk and of F/Lt. G.W.F. Charles in the 440 Yards Hurdles.

Old Man Kennedy-Skipson walked a perfectly judged race and came from behind over the last 100 yards to nip CSM Wells right on the tape in a record time for Hongkong of 8 minutes 50.5 seconds.

There was a slight murmur of protest from the other competitors that the winner had run the last few yards. An immediate meeting of the Appeals Committee—with the Services representation as unanimous as the rest though the event seemed in the match—settled the protest for good.

The verdict reached was: "There was nobody present competent to judge on whether the winner had at any stage of the last lap of the race raised both feet off the ground."

The fact that Mr Kennedy-Skipson is also a reasonably good high jumper does not suggest that he may have been tempted to be airborne in a walking race.

LL. Blight, who is one of the Colony's best high jumpers in addition to being one of the Colony's leading chess players, has never attempted to leap over a chess board in the course of a tournament.

These things are just not done. The other combined HKAAA Council member and victor, F/Lt. Charles, had the evening before entertained stragglers of the HKAAA Council in a session at a Kai Tak bar that had lasted a good three hours.

The perfect host, he had never at any stage lagged behind and it was at his suggestion that a change was made from long ones to short ones.

Hence the great surprise of his fellow Council members when good old Charles rounded the last straight to clear the final hurdle in the wake of Colony Champion Colloco and Lee Sek-chen and in a final burst of speed down the home straight, breast the tape inches in front of Lee Sek-chen in 03.9 seconds—one of the fastest times ever returned in Hongkong.

All we can say, in modern RAF parlance, is "Very Shamshulpo." Indeed, "Very Laichukuk" as well.

BACK TO YOUTH
Returning to the triumphs of youth—Rita Hall really "whizzed" in setting the new Colony record for 220 Yards. She elapsed eight-tenths of a second off the yet-to-be-ratified record of 28.8 seconds standing to the joint credit of Jennifer Hart and Deborah Hurbutt.

At the half-way stage, the long-legged Deborah was pouring it on in an outside lane with Lam Kak-lan in hot chase. Rita, in the inside straight, was nowhere in the picture.

Down the straight Lam Kak-lan put on an explosive start that brought her level with Deborah and Joyce Cotton closed in on the two. Rita was still rounding the last turn.

Down they came and there was some electric sprinting as Rita closed the gap and how she came in a burst of lightning feet that may well have matched a lot of the fastest seen in the women's races at Holsind.

The times were—Rita Hall, 28.0 seconds; Lam Kak-lan, 28.2 seconds; Deborah Hurbutt, 28.7 seconds; Joyce Cotton, 29.1 seconds and Fok Wing-chung, 29.3 seconds.

The first four—including the surprising Miss Cotton—ran faster than Jennifer Hart's recognized Colony record of 29.2 seconds set last year at the King George V School Sports.

GREAT "CURLY"
The afternoon's most popular victory was that of South China's stout-hearted Chan King-yin, popularly known as "Curly" who entered the 100 Yards Dash to lead in the first one-two-three civilian parade in a distance race in the history of the Association.

Derek Coburn had been busy winning the Half Mile and Mile and Arthur Cope, who had before the race admitted that he was more Cubby's weather than his, collapsed on the ninth lap with a stomach cramp. He got up again and finished the race.

King-yin's 16.51.2, though not a time in the Peter West or Derek Coburn class, was still one of the fastest on record and Fung Ping-kai was second in a very creditable 16.57.6.

Another popular success was that of Cpl. Chow Jor of the Hongkong Chinese Training Unit, who took second place in the Pole Vault with a good 8 feet 6 inches in the High Jump.

There was some good Shot Putting and Javelin Throwing. In the Shot, the winner was Sgt. G. J. Harrison with 37 feet 3 inches. L/Hdr. Bertman was second with 37 feet and LAC Sayers third with 36 feet 3 inches.

In the Javelin, Sgt. C. H. Smith came through with another 100-footer that would have won a Standard Medal if he had not already been awarded one for this event. Lau Kam-yu reached a personal record best of 140 feet 5 1/2 inches and Hon Thompson also improved with 135 feet 7 1/2 inches in third place.

NO DETERRENT
It may have been one of the hottest and most humid days for a track meeting, but it did not deter Derek Coburn from winning the Half Mile and Mile and Leung Kam-po and Fung Walker from running fast times in second place.

The half-way stage in the Mile was reached by Coburn in 2 minutes 20 seconds and all questions of a new Colony record were put on until the last lap, when he must have broken 60 seconds for the final quarter.

In the circumstances, Walker could not have run the second half in slower time than 2:20 which is rather remarkable performance for a 16-year-old.

No one seems very certain whether it was Leung Kam-po or Martin who won the 440 Yards. The fact is that both beat Lockwood and Goodburn, who were one-two in the Colony Championships.

Deborah Hurbutt won the High Jump at a good 4 feet 7 1/2 inches and both Valerie Jilott and Chae Pui-yeung improved on their personal records in this event.

Valerie finally broke her 4 feet 5 inches ceiling and can now be expected to move gradually higher. It is worth while remembering that Jennifer Hart who has now done 4 ft 7 1/2 inches could improve on an identical 4 1/2 ceiling for a long time.

The Long Jump and Hop, Step performances were poor, two boards in a line upsetting the best. Rita Hall's new Kai Tak mark of 18 feet 2 1/2 inches in the circumstances was an extraordinary jump.

RESERVES GOOD TOO
The Civilians entered the fray short of their three best sprinters—Stephen Xavier, Billy McGill and Eddie Loureiro—all of whom are on the injured list.

They still won both sprints and the Sprint Relay, the reserve team of Chang Yui-hung, Lee Wing-kai, Hung Chee-kee and Roy Spencer collecting 23 out of a possible 30 points in the three sprints.

Combined Services annexed the One Mile Relay in a very close duel. Coburn came in second, followed by Fung Walker, who was out of the race at the 100 Yards mark.

Farino Beats Juan Fangio
Naples, May 10.
Nino Farino of Italy, former World Champion, drove his Ferrari to a narrow victory over Argentine Juan Manuel Fangio in the Naples Grand Prix today, curbing his pace for this year's World Championships.

The Argentine who was the Maserati specially built to win the Championship from the recently unbeatable Fangio, was driving a new Maserati, driving driving new Maserati, was third, followed by two Ferraris.

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QUEEN PRESENTS THE FA CUP



Amid scenes of unrestrained enthusiasm, Harry Johnston, Blackpool FC captain, led his men up to the Royal Box at the Empire Stadium, Wembley, on May 2 to receive the FA Cup from the Queen.

Blackpool's 4-3 victory over Bolton Wanderers in the Cup Final also brought his long-desired Cup winner's medal to outside-right Stanley Matthews. Cup finalists for the third time in six years, Blackpool now hold the trophy for the first time in their history.

Australians Likely To Try For An Innings Victory Against Surrey Today

London, May 11.

The Australians are expected to declare at their first innings total of nine for 250 before the second day's play against Surrey at the Oval today and go all out for their third successive innings victory of the tour.

Surrey were routed for 68 on Saturday and, 182 runs behind, their batsmen would have to treat the Australian speed attack on its merits.

The attacking field set for the Australian speed attack appeared to verify the Surrey batsmen, as it did the Yorkshire and Leicestershire batsmen last week.

Great interest will be taken in Peter May's second encounter with Lindwall. May, one of England's batting hopes for 48 but their batsmen had to struggle against superb bowling and fielding for 250 for nine at the Kennington Oval today.

The pitch had early morning greenness but it did not excuse Surrey's pathetic batting display, bowling at a lively pace, moving the ball both ways, Ron Archer, fast-medium, took six wickets for 26 runs.

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Amid scenes of unrestrained enthusiasm, Harry Johnston, Blackpool FC captain, led his men up to the Royal Box at the Empire Stadium, Wembley, on May 2 to receive the FA Cup from the Queen.

Blackpool's 4-3 victory over Bolton Wanderers in the Cup Final also brought his long-desired Cup winner's medal to outside-right Stanley Matthews. Cup finalists for the third time in six years, Blackpool now hold the trophy for the first time in their history.

Australians Likely To Try For An Innings Victory Against Surrey Today

London, May 11.

The Australians are expected to declare at their first innings total of nine for 250 before the second day's play against Surrey at the Oval today and go all out for their third successive innings victory of the tour.

Surrey were routed for 68 on Saturday and, 182 runs behind, their batsmen would have to treat the Australian speed attack on its merits.

The attacking field set for the Australian speed attack appeared to verify the Surrey batsmen, as it did the Yorkshire and Leicestershire batsmen last week.

Great interest will be taken in Peter May's second encounter with Lindwall. May, one of England's batting hopes for 48 but their batsmen had to struggle against superb bowling and fielding for 250 for nine at the Kennington Oval today.

The pitch had early morning greenness but it did not excuse Surrey's pathetic batting display, bowling at a lively pace, moving the ball both ways, Ron Archer, fast-medium, took six wickets for 26 runs.

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Gun Club President Calls For Amendment Of Game Ordinance

About 200 people attended the annual "At Home" of the Hongkong Gun Club held at the Clubhouse, eight miles out on the Castle Peak Road, yesterday.

They saw there an exhibition of game guns, a feature of which, among many valuable weapons by famous makers, was Mr. J. C. V. Ribeiro's Holland 240 calibre double-barrelled rifle, which he had made specially to his order for shooting deer. The advantage of a double barrel on a hunting rifle over a repeating rifle is that the double-barrelled rifle will never jam and gives a much faster second shot.

There were also competitions. The best of which, from the spectators' point of view, was the "sneak-shooting" in which competitors fired at flying "clay" pigeons.

Clay shooting in England and in France were next shown. Among those who attended were Mr. M. W. Turner, Dr. L. T. Ride and Mr. K. A. Blomfield.

President's Address
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THE GAMBOLS

Hopes For A Royal Derby Victory

London, May 10. With the epoch Derby less than a month away, hopes of a Royal victory are growing.

The Queen's Hyperion colt, Aureole put up such a promising display in the 2,000 Guineas, though finishing only fifth, that much knowledgeable money has been added to the widespread and patriotic hopes invested in him to win the great classic on June 6.

Mr. William Humble's Nearula was made favourite for the Epsom race after his easy victory in the 2,000 Guineas, and he seems reasonably certain to defeat again all those who finished behind him at Newmarket—excepting Aureole.

The Queen's colt, having his first race of the season, was out-paced in the early stages, but made headway towards the finish, which suggested he would be a force of magnitude over the extra half mile at Epsom.

It was a very creditable display by a colt having his first outing of the season, whose precursors had always been more to the Derby's 12 furlongs than to the Newmarket mile, and in whom there appears to be scope for considerable improvement before Derby day.

On the Newmarket running Aureole has much to make up with Nearula, but there is some doubt about the latter's ability to get the Derby distance.

Aureole should not be found wanting on that score. Captain Cecil Boyd-Rochford, the Queen's trainer, holds a strong hand in the race, for in addition to Aureole, he has a well-fancied candidate in Brigadier W. P. Wyatt's Premotion.

This precipitation colt had run and won three races before he came out to be beaten in a four horse-race at Sandown Park this week.

This was a shock for his Derby supporters, but the race was so slowly run that it might well be ignored as a true trial.

Bandoolla, who was not quoted at the previous callover, is sure to find some backing for the Derby on this show, especially now the Tulip jockey, Charlie Smithke, has accepted the offer of Bandoolla as his Derby mount.

AMERICAN CHANCES
There is a good chance that American silks will be carried to victory for the first time since Fred Archer spurred Iroquois home in the dimly distant days of 1889.

Mr. Robert Sterling Clark's Good Brandy, easy winner of the Free Handicap at Newmarket, has since enhanced his prospects with a fine effort in the Chester Vase over one mile five furlongs and 75 yards, and appears to have an excellent chance of redeeming American black in the race in recent years.

Good Brandy failed by a neck to beat Lord Hillford's Empire Honey, but he did not seem to be as fit as his rival.

The handsome Son of Rockefeller might make it a different story on Derby day.

As a result of the unaccountably poor showing of Tosco, the sole representative from France in the 2,000 Guineas, the French challenge for this year's "Blue Riband" seems to have been accepted as negligible, but this may be a wrong assumption.

Tosco was probably "laken off his feet" in the early stages of the first classic by the great speed of the many short runners. He is unlikely to meet the same conditions in the Derby, where the first two furlongs are uphill.

In addition, there are 71 other French horses still engaged in the Derby, many of which are virtually unknown in England.

MALAYANS ENTERTAINED AT DINNER
Mr. Kang Soon-heng, Manager of the Malayan Badminton Team at present visiting the Colony, said at a dinner last night that he found the badminton standard of the women in the Colony very high, and with a little more coaching they would be in the world class.

The dinner was given by the Hongkong Badminton Association at the King's Restaurant in honour of the Malayan team, which completed Wong Peng-coon, World Badminton Champion, Cheong Hock-teng and Charlie Gow.

Mr. W. Gillies, Vice-President of the Hongkong Badminton Association, greeted the guests and said that their visit to Hongkong had definitely shown local enthusiasts how the game should be played.

Mr. Kang, speaking on behalf of the Association for its hospitality, thanked the guests for their visit.

TULIP RALLY WINNERS



The Dutch Tulip Rally was won for the fifth time in its five-year history by a British car and driver when the trial, one of the stiffest in Europe, ended in a race on the Zandvoort road circuit. The winning driver this year was J.W.E. Banks (right) who is talking to another British driver, Ian Appleyard, who finished fourth.—Express Photo.

EXPERT SAYS

IT WILL BE A VERY DANGEROUS FIGHT FOR MARCIANO

Holland, Michigan, May 10.

George A. Barton, President of the National Boxing Association, predicted at the ringside here today that both Rocky Marciano and Jersey Joe Walcott would be on the floor at least once in Friday night's big bout.

"They were on the deck at Philadelphia last September, and they'll be on the deck again at Chicago Stadium this time," said the expert who has been associated for 50 years with boxing as fighter, ring official, writer and commissioner.

After watching Rocky spar four rounds with Billy Wilson and Billy Noble, Mr. Barton said, "Rocky's attack is better now than it was in September, but he still is an easy target, and Walcott is one of the best combination boxer-punchers I've ever seen."

ONE OF THREE

He said, "On skill alone, Walcott is one of the three smartest boxers I have seen in 60 years. The other two, who could think best on their feet and change their styles when necessary, were Sugar Ray Robinson and Willy Pep."

Connolly And Sampson Beat Hart And Fry

Rome, May 10.

Miss Maureen Connolly, Wimbledon and United States Women's Singles Champion, and her compatriot, Miss Julie Sampson, won the Women's Doubles in the Italian Lawn Tennis Championships here today.

They defeated Miss Doris Hart and Miss Shirley Fry, American winners of the Doubles at Wimbledon for the past two years, by 6-8, 6-4, 6-4 in the final.

Australia's Lewis Hoad qualified to meet Jaroslav Drobný of Egypt in the Men's Singles final by beating Fausto Gardini of Italy 6-1, 6-3, 6-2 in the semi-finals.

Egypt's Drobný beat Australia's Ken Rosewall 6-1, 6-4, 6-2.

Drobný also qualified for the final of the Men's Doubles with America's Budge Patty. They beat Australia's Mervyn Rose and Clive Wilderspin 6-3, 6-4, 6-0.

The other all-Australian semi-final was postponed because of fading light, when Jan Ayre and Ken Hartwig and Lewis Hoad and Ken Rosewall were two sets all: 7-5, 5-7, 7-5, 6-4.

Drobný, 32-year-old Czech-born tennis master, had a very easy match against Ken Rosewall to reach the final of the tournament for the fourth time since the war.

The Australian was completely off form, and made many mistakes. Only in brief flashes did he show the brilliant form of his quarter-final victory over Budge Patty of the United States.

Hollywood Is Playing Safe With The New Films

By JENNIFER JOHNS

Harried by television and caught in its own complicated net of a score of 3D experiments, Hollywood is playing safe with the new films.

From now on—as far as films shot here are concerned—you'll be getting straight entertainment with no hide issues such as colour-bar themes or atom bomb stories. With one or two exceptions the studios have also struck all "message" themes (religious, political etc.) off their lists.

The conclusion would appear to be that Hollywood has decided that it hasn't really got any right to tackle racial and other issues. Says one top-line executive:

"The public wants entertainment. It doesn't want a message thrown at it—particularly if that message becomes a predominant part of the picture."

Anyway, whatever the reasons, the facts remain. No more "Pinky"-type films. Or "Snake Pit". As far as the latter is concerned, I'm glad!

Headache For The Make-Up Dept. They tell me that they're finding it almost impossible to put false whiskers over in 3-D. You can tell a 3-D false from the back of the circle. It seems the make-up men are right. One studio has just issued a call for 120 bearded extras and a legitimate screen beard must be 2 inches plus.

Arlene Dahl, who has her own side-line of lingerie and slumber caps, gets top billing with Bob Hope in "Here Come The Girls". But it's songstress Rosemary Clooney who steals the picture. Mrs. James Mason (known here as "Dear, dear Pamela") has written an article all about Hollywood men. Plus what she thinks about them. She'd hide and think again if she could hear what those who've read it think about her.

Casting Problems
John Houseman, producer of "Julius Caesar" (MGM's movie of Shakespeare's play for release shortly) has just been unburdening his casting problems.

"Once the decision had been made to bring Shakespeare's great political melodrama to the screen, casting became our first and most pressing care. We were free to recruit our company from among the best available players of the English-speaking world."

And the choice? John Houseman (Cassius), James Mason (Brutus), Marlon Brando (Mark Antony), Edmond O'Brien (Cassius) and Louis Calhern as Julius Caesar.

Mr. Houseman has no doubts about any of them. Admits, however, that "Marlon Brando as Antony is generally regarded as our most controversial piece of casting. But it never seemed so to us."

He said, "This is a very dangerous fight for Marlon. I'll have to see Walcott work out again in Chicago before I make my selection."—United Press.

VON CRAMM WINS
Hanover, May 11.
Baron Gottfried von Cramm, the aging German tennis star of prewar years, yesterday defeated the 25-year-old Brazilian player, Armando Vieira, two sets to one, at the international tournament being held here as a "warm-up" for the German Davis Cup team.

The score of von Cramm's match with the youthful Brazilian was 9-11, 7-5 and 6-4.

The German player, Horst Herman had an easier time with his compatriot Engelbert Koeh, with a score of 7-5 and 6-1.

The German team will meet South Africa in their coming Davis Cup elimination round.—France Press.

MOTTRAM BEATS AMPON
London, May 9.
The Filipino pair, Felisimo Ampon and Raymundo Deyro,

today won the men's doubles final of the Shirley Park lawn tennis tournament, when they defeated South Africa's R. Seymour and J. Kufperberger, 6-1, 6-1.

Ampon, paired with Miss R. Wodnate of Britain, also won the mixed doubles final, beating the British couple, B. Green and Miss R. Bulleid, 6-3, 6-3.

Ampon, however, was defeated by Tony Mottram after an exciting struggle in the men's singles final. The score was 4-6, 6-3, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3.—France Press.

Brilliance and power are the outstanding qualities of Caesar's favourite cavalry leader. Of all the young actors in America, Brando has these qualities in fullest measure. Does Antony move you? I am confident that Brando will.

After all that, Mr. Houseman, he should.

Patriotic Role

Repeating a patriotic role she played 35 years ago, Mary Pickford is on a six-week tour boosting a Bond-a-Month plan. Getting off to a good start, almost-sixty Miss Pickford was guest at a tea party given by Mamie Eisenhower. . . . Postscript to Shirley Booth's Academy Award for the "best actress" in "Come Back, Little Sheba" is contained in the story that her pet dog saw the presentation too—on television. Shirley admits it: "I left the set on specially. She's very intelligent and I wanted her to see it."—Glenn Ford will be in Brazil in July for filming an adventure yarn "The Americano" around Sao Paulo. Mrs. Ford (Eleanor Powell) will be there too missing, for a few weeks, her Sunday school teaching at the Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church where Jimmy Stewart and family are regulars.

All One Whirl

Debbie Reynolds ("Singin' In The Rain") is an up-and-coming starlet if ever there was one.

Merited Master Of Sports
London, May 10.

The Czechoslovak runner, Emil Zatopek, who won three events at last year's Olympic Games, got a new title today—"Merited Master of Sports"—at a ceremony in Prague, when titles were awarded to sports master.

It was the first time that such titles were awarded, according to Prague Radio.—Reuter.

Moira Shearer Sees The Red Light
By ROBERT OTTAWAY

THERE comes a time in every ballerina's life when she has to hang up her dancing shoes. The only exception to the rule seems to be Markova, who is now proving at Covent Garden that 44 years can be no handicap to dancing on air.

Death comes to Moira Shearer at the end of her first Hollywood film, "The Story of Three Loves". "To dance was to die" muses her impresario-lover, James Mason, and this film, finished a year ago and being premiered in London this month, points a personal moral for the professional dancer of the tawny-haired dancing star.

But 27-year-old Miss Shearer has seen the red light of retirement—and she's taking out an insurance policy. Though she insists firmly, "I'm a ballerina," there's a two-picture deal looming up with Sir Alexander Korda.

French genius And among the subjects being discussed, is a version of "Beauty and the Beast," scripted by France's own all-purpose genius, Jean Cocteau. And Cocteau, as well as writing and directing films, has devised ballets in his time.

So the transition for Moira should be easy and gradual. I expect the switch from dance to dialogue to take time, and Miss Shearer, I'm told, will "definitely continue" on her toes.

What about the other Sadler's Wells luminaries? Watching "Murder in the Cathedral" at the Old Vic on the first night was Margot Fonteyn. Producing the revival was her old friend and dancing partner, Robert Helpmann, now carving out a new career for himself as an actor.

New careers
Helpmann saw the red light years before he gave up dancing for good. He even appeared at Stratford as Hamlet in 1940.

But new careers don't grow on trees. Violetta, Elvina made a film with Elizabeth Allan and Hugh Williams last summer. It hasn't yet been shown. I hope it's not Miss Elvina's fault—though she hasn't made a film since "The Little Iron."

Shot Put Record
New York, May 10.
The Olympic champion, Fanny O'Brien, of the University of Southern California, last night broke the world 16-lb. shot put record with a throw of 80 feet 3/4 inches.

O'Brien was competing in the West Coast relay. Previous record was 58 feet 10 1/2 inches, made by Jim Fuchs in 1950.—Reuter.

Has Her Price
Zsa Zsa Gabor has her price and own ideas about the movie she makes. So much so that she's declined "Female of the Species." She'll be replaced by Lili St. Cyr. . . . John Wayne comes out in 3-D in "Hondo" a super-Western. And if you want to know what a "hondo" is, Mr. Wayne tells me that it's the small noose through which the rope is drawn in a lasso. I'll have to take his word for it. . . . Ray Milland will be seen dancing in a new musical. Also in 3-D. And in colour. . . . My Sight of the Week was to see Charlie Chaplin Jr. at "Hamburger Heaven" on Sunset Boulevard. He was telling his problems to his former stepmother, Paulette Goddard.

. . . . Dana Andrews and Elizabeth Taylor say that it doesn't matter what they do in "Elephant Walk." The elephants will still steal the picture. . . .

Menio for record fans: Jimmy Boyd, a lad of 14, is making his fortune with just two recordings: "I Saw Mummy Kissing Santa Claus" and "My Bunny and My Sister Sue." Record sales to date total 2 million. When you've heard him I think you'll help those sales go still higher.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB WHITSUN RACE MEETING

(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club) Saturday, 23rd May & Monday, 25th May, 1953.

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 22 RACES

1st Day—10 Races—Saddling Bell 1.30 p.m.—1st Race 2 p.m.
2nd Day—12 Races—Saddling Bell 11.30 a.m.—1st Race 12 noon.
Tiffin interval on the 2nd day will be after the 4th Race at 1.30 p.m.
The Secretary's office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on the 1st day and at 10.00 a.m. on the 2nd day.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED. All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

Tidings will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS & REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employer's boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths in the Members' Betting Hall.

CASH SWEEPS

The cost of a Through Ticket is \$44.00. Through Tickets reserved for this meeting but not paid for by 10 a.m. on Friday, 22nd May, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings. There will be a Special Cash Sweep on the last race of the meeting. The cost of each ticket is \$2.

Cash Sweep Tickets may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), 5 D'Agulier Street and 382 Nathan Road, until 10 a.m. on both days.

TOTALISATOR

PAYMENT WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS. Backers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER, NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

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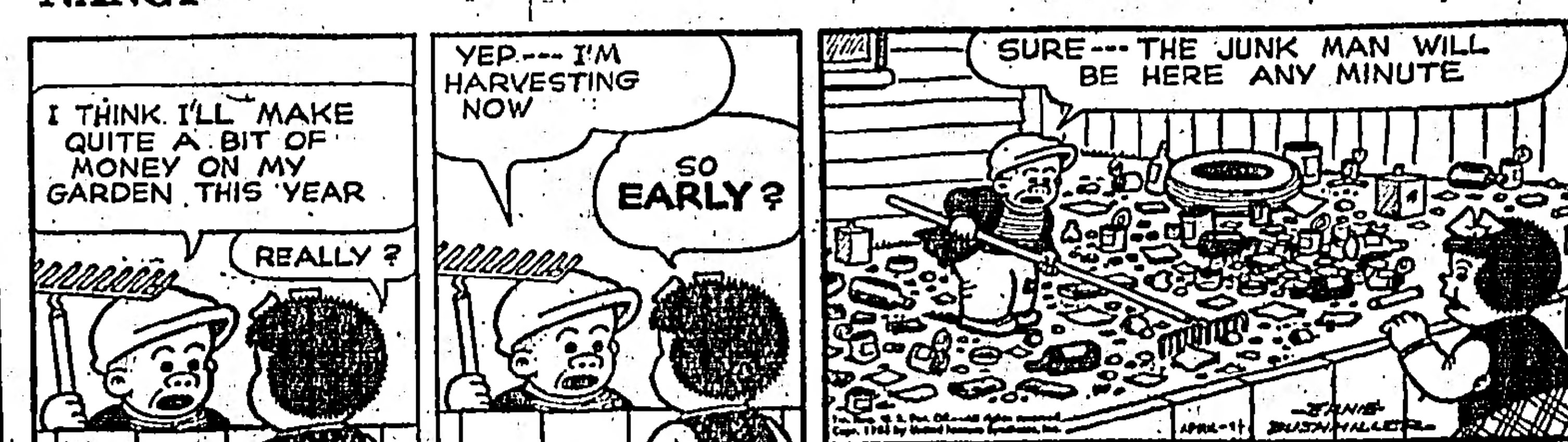
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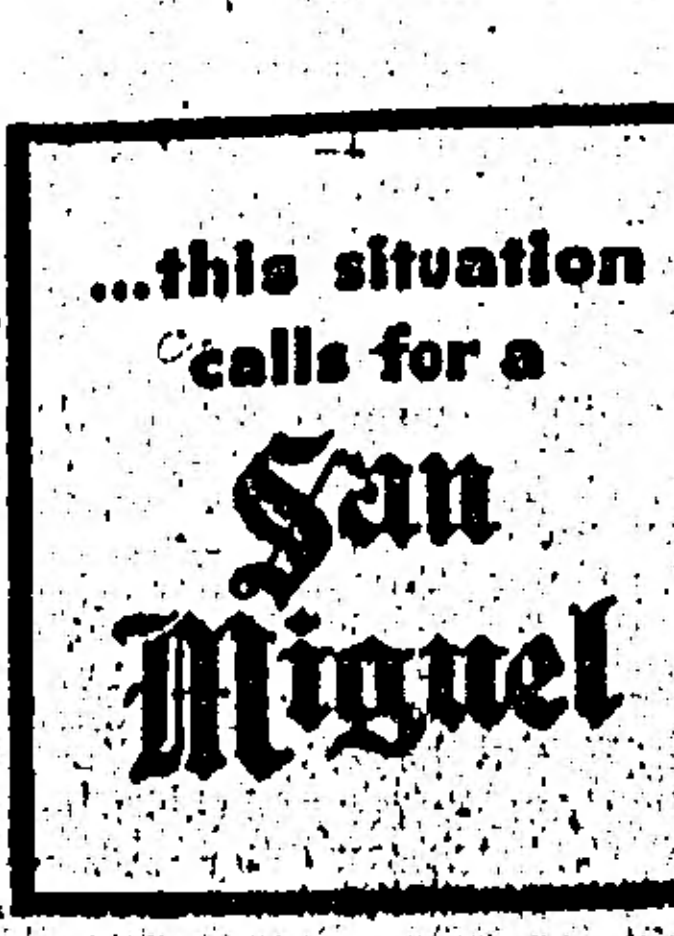
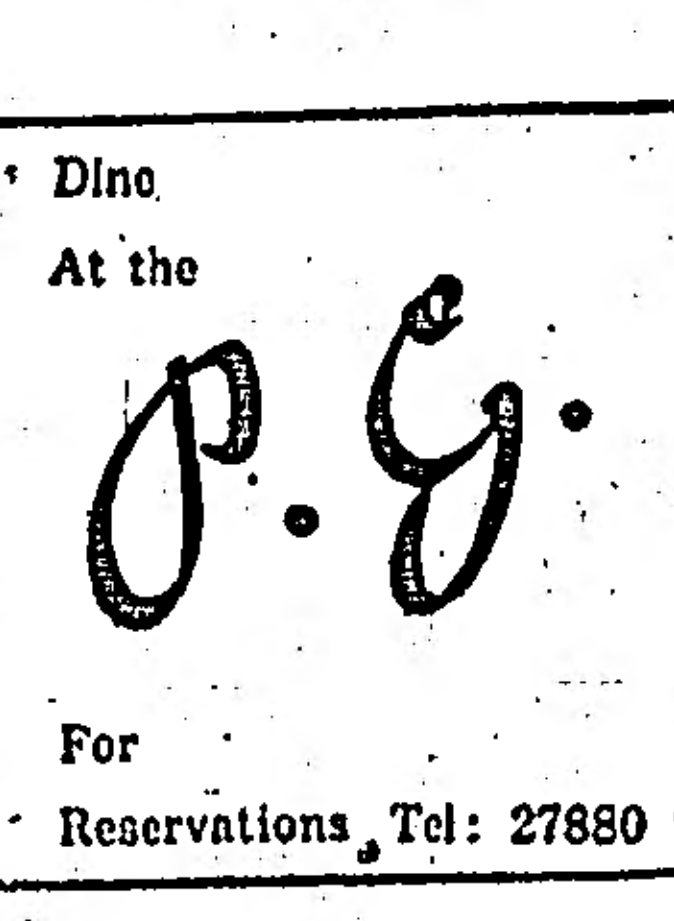
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THREAT TO DEFENCE OUTPUT

New York, May 10.—Communist sympathisers continue to be a threat to vital United States defence production, the National Conference Board said today. But the Conference Board, a private research organization, found industry, said industry had to solve the problem on its own.

The Board, reporting on a survey of the position of Communist sympathisers in industry, said Communist sympathisers were continuing to point out the dangers of industry being Communist, and of industry being Communist, and of industry being Communist.

Industry vigorously protests at their practices and avoids them in setting up their security programmes.

According to the report, a large number of executives in industry and labour have asked the Government to assist them in getting rid of the Communist sympathisers and subversives.

Executives said that where proof existed that an employee was a security risk, the Company or plant should be legally protected against possible damage, and resulting from the discharge of the employee.

It was also suggested that the individual's rights, both as a citizen and as a union member, be protected by judicial review and court procedure.

ANGLO-GERMAN TALKS

The West German Vice-Chancellor, Herr Frank Buchner, and the Economics Minister, Herr Ludwig Erhard, will visit London in May to discuss currency problems, according to a Government spokesman here. The exact date has not yet been fixed, he said.

New Course Of Action To Deal With Empire Economic Situation?

POSSIBLE SEQUEL TO U.S. ATTITUDE

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, May 10. The gold and dollar reserves continued, to grow in April when—rather unexpectedly in view of the recent fall in the prices of some of its most important commodities—the sterling area had a surplus of \$107 million.

This included \$20 million of defence aid from America and \$11 million of gold received from the European Payments Union in part settlement of the area's surplus with Western Europe in March.

The residue of \$76 million is the important figure in this sum for it reflects the sterling area's trading surplus with other countries but principally North America.

Barter Pact's Fate

Manila, May 10.

The Philippine Foreign Office disclosed today that the Japanese Government had proposed negotiations "to adjust the Philippines-Japan barter trade agreement terms to present-day needs and requirements."

Acting Foreign Minister Felino Neri said the Foreign Office was "mulling time" on an extension of the agreement, which expires at the end of May.

Mr. Neri said the future of Philippine-Japan trade relations was "inextricably tied up with the action of the Senate on the Japanese Peace Treaty."

The Senate, which has exclusive right to ratify Philippine treaties with foreign governments, has shelved action on the treaty pending an agreement between the Philippines and Japan on reparations.

Mr. Neri said the Philippines reparations were "up to the Tokyo Government following the recent Philippine request for a clarification of the last Japanese proposal for settling the question."

The Acting Foreign Minister disclosed that the Japanese request for a renewal of the barter agreement and adjustment of its terms was made through the Japanese mission here.

He said the Foreign Office was deferring a reply.

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But he added that sentiment among Philippine businessmen was favourable to an extension of the agreement.

Mr. Neri said an extension was also recommended by Philippine Government agencies, which had expressed concern over the possible effects of expiration of the agreement on existing Philippine-Japanese trade relations.

Mr. Neri admitted that so far trade between the two countries under the agreement—which is an extension of the old pact with the Supreme Commander, Allied Powers—had been favourable to the Philippines.

Mr. Neri said another problem was posed by the existing temporary air agreement governing traffic and landing rights of the Philippines Airlines in Japan, which was due to expire late in June—Reuter.

HOLLAND'S ECONOMIC RECOVERY

Amsterdam, May 10. The economy of Holland has emerged stronger from a period of adaptation and rehabilitation in 1952 and the country may be ready for co-operation with other European countries, and the U.S., to prepare measures to regain a certain general convertibility of currency.

This statement is made by the Netherlands Bank President in his report on 1952 developments. However, the report states that Holland's monetary position is still "far from" being definitely consolidated.

Great caution in financial policy is required to maintain monetary equilibrium. The Bank considered it justified, because of the strong rise in convertible currency holdings, to return to the traditional central bank policy of keeping an important portion of convertible currency in gold.

The increase in gold stocks was therefore largely due to the conversion of \$12.9 million of the second half of 1952—Reuter.

This surplus shows a substantial increase over the figure for March when an exceptionally large British payment was made for American tobacco and there was a slight increase over the February figure.

But, if this raised any hopes that the dollar problem is a thing of the past, they were quickly dispelled by Mr. Butler's statement that British Government are disappointed with the "symptoms of progress" in the recent moves to increase trade between the sterling area and the United States.

The United States Government has been informed of this, Mr. Butler told the Commons last week.

"We have frankly discussed every aspect of the matter," he went on, "including the Chief Joseph Dam contract, and every other matter which has caused a certain degree of disappointment and, in some cases, disillusionment."

The Chancellor was winding up the debate on the second reading of the Finance Bill incorporating his Budget proposals.

UNHAPPY TREND

Earlier Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, former Chancellor of the Exchequer, had spoken of the American decision to cut down Britain's economic aid, which, he said, would necessitate Britain making her plans accordingly for dealing with the dollar situation.

If Britain was to adjust herself to this situation, he continued, she must expand her dollar exports.

But, unhappily, everything that had been happening in the United States lately seemed to suggest that it was going to be more and more difficult for her to do so.

Mr. Gaitskell referred to "the episode of the Chief Joseph Dam" and the difficulty that the American Administration is having in renewing the Reciprocity Information Act.

"It isn't much good moaning about this," he went on, "but I suggest that these events reinforce the Opposition's appeal to the Government to base their policy not on any fancy idea of convertibility but rather on building up as swiftly as possible trade generally in the non-dollar world."

FRANK SPEAKING

Mr. Butler did not believe it would become more and more difficult to expand dollar exports but agreed there may be a period of difficulty and waiting while the American Administration became accustomed to taking part in discussions with Congress and with the difficulties of assuming office.

The Chancellor spoke very frankly of the need to bring the economy and the finance of the free world closer together. "If our economy and that of the Americans is to make any sense and if we are to put forward the maximum effort," he said, "what's the use of building up defence forces and going to meetings at the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation and in other ways trying to produce a combined foreign policy?"

Mr. Butler went on, "unless we can bring our economic and financial policies closer together and so bridge the dollar gap."

As for convertibility, Mr. Butler restated the conditions that must be fulfilled before there could be any hope of abandoning exchange controls.

RIGHT COURSE

One of these was the adoption by the United States and other countries of "good creditor policies which widen trade and give us a chance of earning our living instead of receiving aid."

In the meantime, said Mr. Butler, the British Government was sticking to the right and proper course of attempting to do everything in their power to expand British exports in whatever way was most valuable.

The Chancellor spoke again of the need for the United States to adopt good creditor policies when he addressed the French Chamber of Commerce in Britain on the day following the Commons debate.

"Wherever you go in Europe," he said, "you find the same problem of the gap between the dollar and the non-dollar worlds."

"We've done our best to suggest means to bridge the gap. Hitherto the response we've had has not been sufficient to enable us to force a successful conclusion to our efforts."

DOING OUR BEST

Britain had shown herself ready to make sacrifices but the statesmen of the free world had not yet achieved the task of bringing their policies closer together.

"This is thwarted by politics on the other side of the Atlantic and a certain lack of will and decision on this," said Mr. Butler.

"We are doing our best to make up our side of the bargain. It's up to the other side of the Atlantic to make up theirs."

Other Commonwealth Ministers are equally disappointed at the lack of response to their appeal for American help in achieving the objectives laid down at their December conference.

This may lead them to explore other possible courses of action when they meet again in London next month.

It may also induce them to give a more sympathetic hearing to Prime Minister Menzies of Australia when he renews his plea for higher Imperial Preferences.

They rejected it last time but Mr. Menzies is in a fighting mood. "This time," he is reported to have said, "I won't take no for an answer."

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$440,271. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

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Kwong Sang .. 140 @ 149
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COTTONS
Textile .. 235 245 1000 @ 510
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1000 @ 510
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Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per \$1) .. 15.75
starting note (per \$1) .. 15.75
Indonesian gulden (per 100) .. 31.25
Siam (per 100) .. 31.25
Singapore (Straits) .. 1.25
P.O. dollar (per 100) .. 1.25

Cargo Handling Speed-Up

San Francisco, May 10. A scheme to speed up handling of cargo in the San Francisco docks has been authorized by the State Board of Harbour Commissioners. The Port Administration will spend \$341,000 (\$222,000) to relay railway lines serving the Mission Rock terminal. The docks will be completed with trans-continental rail lines by the change, Port Manager Robert H. Wylie said—Reuter.

Britain Meeting Competition In Textiles

Copenhagen, May 10. Britain is meeting very keen competition on the Danish textile market from Holland, Belgium and West Germany, according to the annual reports of the Danish Softgood Wholesalers Association and the Association of Manufacturers of Ladies' Clothing.

The competition among Denmark's textile suppliers is extremely sharp, the reports say, a fact which is being felt especially by Great Britain. Imports of piece-goods from this traditional source fell from 213 million crowns worth in 1951 to 101 millions in 1952.

Imports from Holland and Belgium, on the other hand, rose from 20 and 28 million crowns respectively to 42 and 44 million in 1952. Western Germany also gained ground on the Danish market and total textile imports from this source amounted to 120 million crowns in 1952 compared with 77 millions in 1951.

As regards imports of ladies' clothing, imports from Britain in 1952 showed only a slight increase, while those from Holland increased fourfold and those from Sweden rose between 100 and 200 per cent. Swiss deliveries, however, declined.

Commenting on this shift of imports from Britain to other sources, reports said that one of the main reasons in the case of West Germany was the fact that West German exporters were making all efforts to meet Danish importers' wishes while British suppliers were not willing to be flexible.

Production of ladies' clothing in Denmark has increased substantially and a scarcity of skilled labour is beginning to make itself felt. Nevertheless, the industry has expressed concern about future prospects. Imports of ladies' clothing in 1952 at 4,525,000 crowns worth were small in comparison with domestic production which was valued at 100 million crowns.

But the value of imports was more than double the 1951 figure of about two million crowns' worth, it is pointed out in a recent survey of the industry—Reuter.

Technical Aid For Nationalists

Tokyo, May 10. The first post-war Japan-Taiwan technical aid contract, in which Japan will supply Nationalist China with technical knowledge and data for the building and repair of ships and machinery, is expected to be signed soon.

Renzo Taguchi, director of the Ishikawajima Heavy Industries Company, is expected to leave for Taipei tomorrow to sign a formal contract with the Taiwan Shipbuilding Company.

The contract calls for technical assistance. It will give the Taiwan Shipbuilding Company in the construction of steel ships, sluice gates, hydraulic piles, air compressors and other machinery. The contract will entitle the Nationalist Chinese firm to make only sell the items exclusively in Taiwan.

It also calls for the Formosan firm to pay 1.5 to four per cent of the profits derived from the sales of the Japanese firm—United Press.

Quietly Easy Trend In Bombay Cotton

Bombay, May 9. A quietly easy tendency characterized trading in Bombay cotton futures.

After an initial steady appearance on encouraging advice from the textile and spot cotton prices fluctuated both ways and then suffered a recession due to increased profit-taking and diminishing trade enquiries.

Moderate support toward the end brought about a recovery. (Slightly conditions prevailed in the spot market—United Press.)

Stock Exchange Given Food For Thought

(From Our Own Correspondent)

London, May 10. Company statements from several of the industrial giants gave the stock markets plenty to think about last week.

The Anglo-Iranian Oil Company announced group profits before charging United Kingdom tax of just over £47 million, a fall of more than £5 million on the previous year's figure.

Net profits, though, were £1 million up, and the Board has recommended a rise in dividend from 30 to 35 per cent.

Despite this, the company's shares, which had risen to 20 1/2 in advance of the dividend announcement on hopes of an even larger distribution, fell back to 15-15 1/2.

Unilever Ltd. and Unilever NV also announced their results last week. Both companies consolidated net profit showed a rise on the year of over £1 million but dividends remained unchanged at 13 1/2 and 12 per cent, respectively.

More in line with the recent trend of falling profits was the Dunlop Rubber Company's statement which showed a fall in the trading balance of nearly £3 million and a decline of more than £1 million in group net profits.

The dividend is being maintained at 17 1/2 per cent. Shares in the company improved on this announcement which dispelled fears that last year's 2 1/2 per cent bonus would not be repeated.

RUBBER FIRM

A statement issued by United Sun Rubber, the big Malaysian rubber-producing concern, reflected last year's severe fall in the price of natural rubber.

Net profit was down from £618,212 to £183,300 and the dividend has been cut from 50 to 20 per cent. The shares slipped back 1/2 to 30/6d on this announcement.

Another important company statement was that published by Guest, Keen and Nettlefold, the engineering holding company, whose net profit, after a bigger tax provision, was down £350,000 to £2,050,000.

The company maintained its dividend at 15 per cent but the shares closed 1/4 down at 48 1/2.

NEW CAPITAL ISSUE

Another talking point in the markets last week was the announcement by De Havilland Aircraft, builders of the Comet jet airliner, that the company would raise about £12 million of new capital over the next three or four years.

The Chairman disclosed that the company was planning to raise over £5 million of this by a public offering of 1,200,000 new 5 1/2 per cent preference shares.

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